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ENVIRONMENT Like the wool sweater that emerges from the dryer a size too small, global warming seems to be shrinking sheep.

On average, wild Soay sheep on Scotland's island Hirta are five per cent smaller today than they were in 1985, according to a team of researchers led by Tim Coulson of Imperial College London.

"The decrease in body size was due to a reduction in growth rates caused, in part, by the changing climate," Coulson said in an interview via email.

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Tennis **All in the family**

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Serena Williams returns a shot to Elena Dementieva Thursday during their semifinal match at Wimbledon. Serena advanced to face her sister, Venus, in Saturday's final. It will be their fourth all-sister Wimbledon final and eighth meeting in a Grand Slam championship. Story, page 20.

These parties are sick

Trying to catch H1N1 virus

Flu **Outbreak**

As a reason for a party, this one is getting a big thumbs down from public health officials.

Rumours have emerged in Britain and elsewhere about people mixing with friends who have the new influenza A (H1N1) virus and parents throwing "swine flu parties" so their children will get infected.

Their apparent reason is a belief that it's better to get the virus now while it causes mostly mild illness than in the fall when a possibly mutated and more deadly version could appear, says the British Medical Association, warning against such disease-swapping socials.

While there is no firm evidence that flu-spreading functions are actually taking place, anecdotal reports suggest some people are at least talking about them.

Dr. Michael Gardam, an infectious disease specialist at the University Health Network in Toronto, said he has heard about Canadians tossing around the idea.

"I have no proof that they're actually occurring," he said Thursday. "Just people sort of making off-the-cuff comments about, 'Yeah, we should get our kids together and get them infected' and whatever. I don't know of anyone who's actually done it."

Even though he understands parents' desire to get a bout of flu out of the way so they don't have to worry about it later, Gardam opposes the idea.

"How are you going to feel if you knowingly expose your child to this and they're the one in 100 or one in 500 that gets really sick from this or in fact even dies?" THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Past pox parties

- The idea of swine flu get-togethers is likely modelled after "chicken pox parties" of the past, in which parents deliberately exposed their children to playmates infected with the virus in a bid to control when they got the disease.

Americans looking north for health-care overhaul

It's rare that anything to do with Canada is front and centre in the minds of Americans, but the Canadian health-care system has been a hot topic of discussion as Capitol Hill legislators work on a massive health-care overhaul.

47 Currently, 47 million U.S. citizens — mostly the impoverished — have no health care. The U.S. also has the highest health-care costs of any country in the industrialized world.

From hair salons to hospital waiting rooms, Americans have wanted to know: "What's health care really like in Canada?"

The Canadian health-care system will likely remain a subject of fascination for Americans with health-care reform expected to dominate Congress when it returns to work Monday.

By the end of the month, the House of Representatives hopes to vote on a health reform plan, and U.S. President Barack Obama has said he wants legislation by October. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Teen charged with sex assault
A 15-year-old boy from Whitby was charged Thursday in connection with a sexual assault of a 59-year-old Pickering woman in February. Durham police say they arrested the teen at his Whitby home, and believed he was a former neighbour of the woman. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

B&E suspect arrested

Durham police have arrested a 29-year-old Whitby man in connection to several break-ins targeting rural homes in the Durham region. Police say the approximately 40 break-ins in the last couple of months targeted rural homes in Oshawa, Whitby, Uxbridge and Clarington. The man is said to have stolen large quantities of cash, coins, jewelry and electronics in the break-ins. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Wheelchairs, scooters and priority seating — more courtesy needed. Read In Transit by Ed Drass Monday.

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Video Police are mystified at how a car ended up submerged in an Ontario canal, killing four at **metronews.ca/canada**

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These results are not official.

Cops seek cellphone witness

Dozens watch street fight, but there are no leads in downtown attack

At least two dozen people crowded around as Brendan Byrnes gets punched twice in the face, then collapses on the sidewalk. His head smashes on the Yonge Street pavement.

One woman, horrified, mortified, covers her face with her hand. Another films the attack on her cellphone.

Then they all flee.

Byrnes, 28, had just left a concert at Yonge-Dundas Square about 7:30 p.m. almost two weeks ago when he got into a dispute with a man outside the nearby Pickle Barrel restaurant.

A security camera at the scene captured the June 20 fight, which shows Byrnes throwing at least one punch before being knocked unconscious by a large man with a ponytail and goatee wearing a black T-shirt with a large circular design on the back.

LUCAS OLENIUK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Brendan Byrnes, 28, was placed in a coma following a street fight near Yonge and Dundas nearly two weeks ago. Byrnes, seen here with his son, Frank, has come out of the coma with severe memory loss. Police are still looking for the other man involved in the altercation.

The attacker then stands over Byrnes, apparently checking his condition, before walking away.

But police have little more than the footage.

"We don't have any witnesses. None," Det.-Sgt. Deborah Abbott said. "It's downtown Toronto. We're used to this. We're used to people not getting involved."

Byrnes was put in a medically-induced coma. He suffered severe damage to his brain frontal lobe and was partially paralyzed for days.

On Wednesday, Canada Day, he woke up.

Police urge witnesses — especially the woman who filmed the fight — and the suspect to come forward.

The suspect, a white man in his mid-20s, was last seen wearing a black T-shirt with a large circular design on the back.

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Ryerson aims to keep kids off street

Clad in a leather jacket and yellow heels, her black and pink hair pulled back in a high ponytail, Lilian Yange leans into the microphone to introduce a multimedia story she's spent five days preparing.

Yange and her peers from high-risk neighbourhoods in suburban Scarborough stayed at Ryerson University's Pitman Hall dormitories while learning about the craft of journalism and creating their own reports in audio, film and written form.

The first-ever five-day summer camp was part of the Verse City journalism training project for youth, founded by director Vinita Srivastava in Toronto in 2004 with support from Young People's Press. It aims to keep marginalized youth out of gangs and help them care about their communities.

> **"It's been proven media literacy leads to greater civic participation."**
> Vinita Srivastava

Ryerson faculty members and student volunteers helped participants develop story ideas and report on topics ranging from the hidden lives of street performers and hotdog vendors to the place of religion in people's lives.

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Peter McNelly, a Ryerson instructor, stepped forward to deliver a handshake and a certificate with a gold seal to Yange. She grinned and waved her arms like a conductor as the crowd launched into a rowdy a cappella rendition of Pomp And Circumstance.

Srivastava said Verse City and the summer camp let youth ages 13 to 24 express themselves, but also develop media literacy.

"It's been proven media literacy leads to greater civic participation. That's what we're trying to get."

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Group denounces anti-Canada diatribe

The head of the Canadian Arab Foundation has distanced himself from an anti-Canadian rant posted on a Facebook site by an official of the group.

Mohamed Boudjenane

Mohamed Boudjenane said the Internet posting by the group's western vice-president Omar Shaban "is not the type of position we hold as an organization." and Shaban has resigned.

On Tuesday, Shaban posted an item on Facebook calling Canada "a genocidal state" for its treatment of native peoples and saying he "couldn't be more ashamed to be Canadian." He titled the posting, "F— Canada Day."

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News in brief

ROAD SAFETY As of July 1 in Ontario, an "educational grace" period for commercial vehicles ended as it relates to a speed limiter law. The device, which must be included in big trucks made after 1994, prevents them from exceeding 105 kilometres per hour. However, say provincial police, the regulation adopted in January makes 115 kilometres per hour the threshold for charges.

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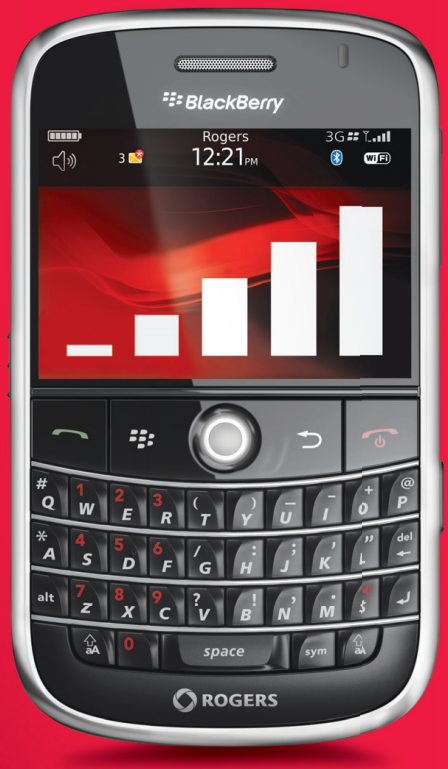

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City council cancels meeting over strike

Toronto's municipal workers' strike has forced city council to cancel its regular meeting scheduled for July 6-7, because many of the support staff needed to run the meeting are off the job. Several committee meetings have already been cancelled since the strike began June 22. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Sam Sinnthurai, owner of McGradies Tap and Grill, stands on his patio that can't open because the city strike has prevented him from acquiring the proper paperwork.

Restaurant patio stuck in the shade with strike

FALLOUT The chairs are ready for customers. The railings gleam in the sun. The liquor licence is approved. It looks like the perfect summer patio.

But much to the chagrin of Sam Sinnthurai, owner of Scarborough's McGradies Tap and Grill, and his many customers, the restaurant's brand new patio sits empty.

Sinnthurai can't let his patrons onto the patio until he gets fire and safety approvals from the city. But with civic workers on strike, he's not expecting that to happen anytime soon.

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"I feel very bad. I'm a hardworking man and we're losing business," said Sinnthurai, noting he spent $7,000 to get the patio ready for summer. "People keep asking me if they can go out and eat and I have to tell them no."

Sinnthurai isn't the only business person to have been hard hit by the city strike. Across the city business owners and residents who rely on city inspections, building permits, contracts — even marriage licences — are having to put things on hold, resulting in lost time and money. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Strike saving you money?

Councillor suggests city pocketing $28M a week on wages

T.O.CivilStrike

What if a city strike actually put more money in your pocket?

That's the scenario in Windsor, where officials say their city's 11-week municipal strike is saving taxpayers $300,000 a day in wages.

Strike-related costs will lower that figure eventually, but a net saving is expected and officials say some of the savings will be passed back to residents.

Nearly two weeks into the Toronto civic workers' strike, officials won't release figures on how much the city is saving on wages. But when city council approved Toronto's budget earlier this year, wages and salaries were estimated at $4 billion, or almost half of the 2009 operating budget.

Coun. Denzil Minnan-Wong thinks the city has been saving about $28 million a week on wages since the strike began, but was unable to confirm his calculations with officials.

"Staff won't calculate it. I've asked them and they've refused," Minnan-Wong said.

"The only answer they can come up with is they don't know the expenses of the strike. But I don't think it would be too difficult to calculate the salary savings."

DAVID COOPER/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Supervisors throw bags onto the growing garbage pile Thursday. Supervisors take turns handling garbage bags from people dropping them off at the Scarborough Gardens Arena parking lot.

Financial impact figures likely won't be released until after the strike, city spokesman Kevin Sack says.

Some 30,000 municipal workers went on strike June 22, shutting down garbage collection, city-run child care, summer camps and other services. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Strike in brief

NEGOTIATIONS Talks between the City of Toronto and striking municipal workers inched ahead yesterday, but the president of the inside workers' local said the sides remain "miles apart." Ann Dembinski, who heads Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 79, said the strike won't be settled unless the city drops demands for major concessions, including changes to sick-time plans and seniority rules.

BRIEFING The city did not hold its usual daily briefing session, yesterday nor did it comment on the strike. Talks between the city and Local 416, representing outside workers, did occur. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

GTA flu planning behind after walkout: Doctor

Flu Outbreak

HEALTH Public health officials are concerned that the Toronto civic workers' strike will hobble pandemic planning efforts for the fall, when it's feared the swine flu will get worse.

"There is no doubt in my mind (that) this is a very inopportune time to have a strike." Dr. Michael Gardam

"There is no doubt in my mind (that) this is a very inopportune time to have a strike. In terms of pandemic planning, we have a lot of work to do and this will hinder that work," said Dr. Michael Gardam, director of infectious disease prevention and control for the Ontario Agency for Health Promotion and Protection.

Ontario's 36 public health units are — or should be — in the process of planning for the establishment of mass vaccination and flu assessment centres in the fall. While the province has not given the final word on whether these centres will open, public health units have been ordered to make plans. According to the latest numbers, Toronto has had 1,328 of the province's 3,154 influenza A cases. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Gas prices set to drop

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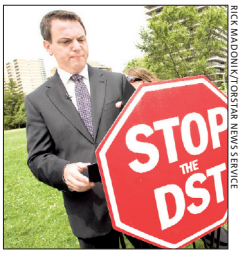
New PC leader warns of HST

Hudak says new tax a mistake

Renters will be hit with an increase of several hundred dollars when the government merges Ontario's sales taxes next year, new Progressive Conservative Leader Tim Hudak said Thursday as he urged provincial residents to revolt against the changes.



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Newly crowned Ontario PC Leader Tim Hudak began his campaign to ditch the HST, or as he calls it the DST (for Dalton).

"At a time when Ontario families deserve our support, Dalton McGuinty's Liberals are making it tough for people to make ends meet," Hudak said during his first media event since becoming party leader last Saturday.

According to Hudak, an average rent of $1,000 a month will rise between $270 and $320 a year when the eight per cent sales tax is incorporated into goods and services previously exempt — such as repair and property management, natural gas and utilities.

Hudak said the increase, which will hit Ontario's four million renters, is only one example of the many goods and services that will become more expensive under the new system, and he is urging people to sign an online petition at www.daltonsalestax.com to push the government to backtrack on the change.

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Cherry Beach **Snack in the sun**

MICHAEL STUPARYK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Star the dog wanted to share a snack in the sun Thursday with his owners Paul and Victoria Midgley at Cherry Beach Clarke Beach Park. Environment Canada is calling for sun through the weekend and into next week.

LCBO scholarship called into question

FUNDS A scholarship that Canada's distilleries hand out to the sons and daughters of workers at Ontario's liquor agency has come under scrutiny as a possible breach of ethics.

The $3,000 prize, restricted to post-secondary students whose parents work at the LCBO, may violate tough conflict-of-interest guidelines imposed on the agency last August. The tighter rules are intended to ensure government workers don't use their employment for personal enrichment by suppliers and clients.

12 The prize has been awarded 12 times since 1998.

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Globe and Mail strike looming

NEWSPAPER Globe and Mail management and a union representing its staff were still in contract negotiations Thursday afternoon, heading towards a midnight deadline that could see a strike at one of Canada's oldest and most influential newspapers.

Both sides have agreed to a media blackout until the midnight deadline, at which time a strike, lockout or work-to-rule action could be taken if an agreement isn't reached.

For updates on the Globe strike over the weekend, visit: **metronews.ca**

News in brief

FOOD Three cases of children with E. coli reported in the London area last week aren't related to this week's voluntary recall of President's Choice fresh beef products at grocery stores across Canada. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency issued a warning not to eat a wide selection of President's Choice fresh beef products because they might contain E. coli.

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Police identify victim in deadly Jeep crash

Police have identified the man killed Wednesday in a crash on the Trans-Canada Highway within the city limits of Sudbury. Provincial police say Mark Tyson, 34, of Coniston, Ont., was killed when his Jeep crossed the centre line, struck a tractor-trailer, hit a rock cut and rolled onto its roof. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

Haiti's debt wiped off books

Canada has forgiven Haiti's $2.3-million debt. It's part of the federal government's plan to relieve impoverished and heavily indebted countries of their debts to Canada. Canada has now cancelled a total of $965 million worth of debt owed by poor countries — including all debt owed by Latin American and Caribbean nations.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Recession's lasting legacy

Slump will still be factor 5 years after recovery's start: Report

Canadians will be fighting to recoup what they lost during the recession for several years even after growth returns to the economy, says a new report.

The analysis on the recession's impact and the painful aftermath from Dale Orr Economic Insight shows the downturn's scars will still be noticeable five years after growth resumes later this year, in terms of productive capacity, unemployment and living standards.

10 The projected jobless rate, in percentage points, for 2010.

Economist Orr says it's unlikely the unemployment rate, which is projected to hit 10 per cent next year, will get back to the six per cent that existed before the slump even by 2014.

As well, he projects Canada's productive capacity in 2014, as well as per-capita output, will only measure about 95 per cent of what it would have been had the recession not occurred and growth proceeded at a modest 2.7 per cent pace.

"The average Canadian is going to be hearing of recovery, and they will look around and say, 'Gee, my per capita income has hardly recovered, employment levels have yet to recover, what do you mean by recovery?'" Orr said in an interview.

Many economists have also been warning of the long convalescence ahead for the Canadian and other western economies after the worst global contraction since the 1930s.

Orr's sobering look of the next five years assumes a relatively rosy recovery from the deep recession, with average annual advances in gross domestic product of 3.4 per cent from 2011 to 2014, and more significantly, no slip-up.

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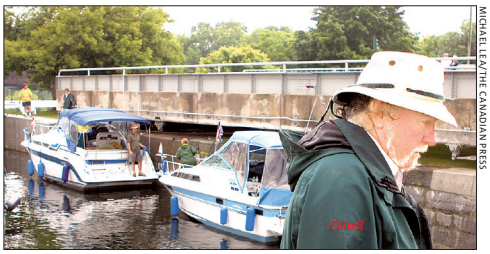

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While on duty on Tuesday, lock operator John Bruce found a car containing four bodies in the water at the Kingston Mills locks on the Rideau Canal in Kingston.

Autopsy results for bodies in car could take weeks: Police

MYSTERY It could be weeks before the results are released from the autopsies on the bodies of four Montreal residents pulled from a lock in Kingston, police said Thursday.

Investigators are baffled over how the car left the roadway and ended up underwater and hope the autopsies, scheduled for Thursday in Ottawa, will shed some light, said Kingston police Const. Michael Menor.

The bodies of three teens, aged 13, 17 and 19, were found along with a 50-year-old woman, described only as a relative, inside a vehicle that was submerged in the northernmost lock at Kingston Mills on Tuesday.

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News in brief

FUNDS The Canadian ministry behind 100 Huntley Street said Thursday that church money was not misappropriated by two of the TV show's hosts who have been suspended over alleged links to a $14.1-million US Ponzi scheme.

COURT A psychologist has testified that a Manitoba man at the centre of a child custody battle has kicked a drug habit and could be a motivated father. The custody hearing centres on two children who were seized by child welfare workers after one went to school with racist drawings on her skin.

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100 firearms and one million rounds of ammo seized in Alberta

RCMP in Red Deer, Alta., have seized more than 100 firearms and up to one million rounds of ammunition. The weapons and bullets were found in a downtown building. David Elliott, 46, has been charged with uttering threats, possession of marijuana and unsafe storage of firearms. THE CANADIAN PRESS

H1N1 flu here to stay, scientist says

Studies differ on how the virus is spreading

Flu Outbreak

332 The flu, also known as influenza A (H1N1), has resulted in at least 332 deaths around the world.

H1N1 flu viruses are missing at least two key features seen in all flu viruses present and past that transmit well among people, and yet the viruses are spreading quite efficiently, two new studies suggest.

The research groups that produced the work differ slightly in their views of the degree to which the novel virus, also called swine flu, is spreading. One has found that transmission isn't yet as efficient as human flu viruses, while the other has found transmission rates are in lockstep with those of seasonal flu cousins.

There is no disputing the evidence, though — the virus is spreading around the globe, claiming at least 332 lives so far. And it is doing this without all the tools scientists would expect a flu virus to need to become a successful human pathogen.

"The take-home message is that a virus that does not have some of the features that we have previously recognized as hallmarks of adaptation of flu in humans was able to establish itself in humans and cause disease," said Dr. Daniel Perez, an influenza virologist with the University of Maryland.

"Regardless of what the virus might do, I believe it is here to stay, either as a whole virus or with some of its gene."

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News in brief

BAIL A 26-year-old man charged with impaired driving after a crash that killed three teens from the Sudbury area has been granted bail while awaiting trial. Jazmine Houle, 15, Steven Philippe, 16, and Caitlin Jelley, 15, died June 21 after being struck by a car as they walked along the side of a road.

SEAGULLS An animal rehab centre in Windsor is caring for some 30 seagulls after about 100 of the birds were found dead. Nancy Phillips, the head of Wings Rehabilitation Centre, says she believes the birds were poisoned with tainted food.

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Mourners pay their respects Thursday to late governor general Romeo LeBlanc as he lays in state in the chapel at the Memramcook Institute in Memramcook, N.B.

Hundreds remember LeBlanc as 'one of us'

MEMORIAL It seems everyone in the tiny parish of Memramcook, N.B., has a personal memory of Romeo LeBlanc.

Rene Poirier easily recalls the time he saw LeBlanc, then Canada's 25th governor general, pushing a cart through a local grocery store, apparently unaffected by the high office he held.

"That's the type of man he was — he liked to do it himself if he could," he said with a chuckle after paying his respects to LeBlanc, who lay in state yesterday at a college he attended as a boy.

"We always called him Romeo, never Mr. LeBlanc. … He was one of us."

The sentiment was echoed by many of the more than 1,000 people who filed through the Memramcook Institute to pay their final respects to the elder statesman.

LeBlanc died on June 24 after a lengthy illness. He was 81. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Free tuition for kids of slain soldiers

TRACEY TONG
Metro Canada

OTTAWA The University of Ottawa has announced it is offering free tuition for children of Canadian military parents killed in action.

Starting Sept. 1, uOttawa is waiving all undergraduate tuition fees for dependants of Canadian Forces personnel killed while serving in an active military mission as part of Project Hero, which helps children of Canadian Forces staff who are killed as a result of an operational mission.

The university will also waive on-campus residence fees for the first year of undergraduate studies.

"Canadians owe a huge debt of gratitude to the men and women who put their lives at risk for our country," said uOttawa president Allan Rock. "As Canada's university, we think the best way of honouring those who have made the ultimate sacrifice."

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One billion dollars will keep Nova Scotia's government afloat
Nova Scotia's fledgling NDP cabinet moved Thursday to authorize $1.13 billion in spending to keep the government functioning until Oct. 31. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ford claims a triumph

Sells 27,408 vehicles as rivals take a tumble

Ford has claimed top spot in monthly Canadian auto and light truck sales for the first time in decades.

Ford Canada says it sold 27,408 vehicles in June, a 24.6 per cent increase over the same month of 2008.

That put it more than 5,000 units ahead of perennial market leader General Motors, which sold 22,334 units in Canada last month despite its parent's Chapter 11 filing in the U.S.

Rivals: Ford vs. GM

- Ford Canada says it sold 27,408 vehicles last month. That put it more than 5,000 units ahead of ...
- General Motors: It sold 22,334 units in Canada.

GM Canada's sales were 31 per cent below where they were a year ago.

Toyota's dropped 17 per cent. Honda Canada's fell 17 per cent.

Chrysler Canada's sales fell by a whopping 58 per cent to just 9,200 vehicles.

The firm's North American plants were shut while the parent restructured.

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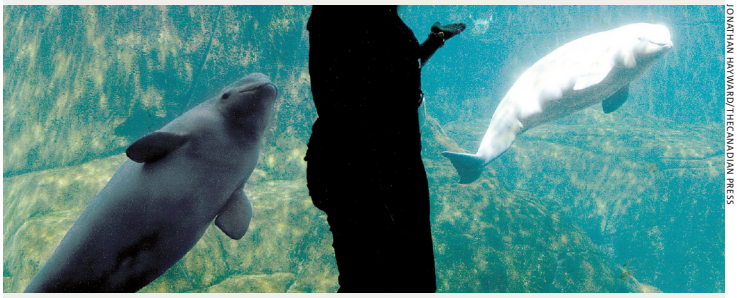
Vancouver **Life's going swimmingly for belugas**



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A aquarium employee is silhouetted as the Vancouver Aquarium's newest baby beluga, as yet unnamed, right, and one-year-old Tiqa swim past the underwater viewing gallery.

D'oh! Are you hiding Homer?

CRIME A North Vancouver woman might well be saying "D'oh."

She was allegedly caught at the U.S. border with 100,000 pills of ecstasy shaped like Homer Simpson and the Transformers.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection says Krysta Edwards, 23, was arrested for attempting to smuggle $1 million worth of tablets into the U.S.

Border officials say the pills were found in a hidden compartment in Edwards' vehicle.

The compartment was allegedly built into the cargo area of the vehicle and was opened by a hidden electrical switch.

Border spokesperson Greg Alvarez says this is the second major ecstasy seizure at the crossing this month and signals the intensity of the illicit narcotic trade.

Edwards is in custody.

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Blast caused gas leak

CRIME The RCMP confirm that a gas leak at a well in northern B.C. was caused by an explosion.

It's the fifth attack against oil and gas infrastructure belonging to EnCana since last October.

The leak was discovered on Canada Day in a remote area south of Dawson Creek, just a few kilometres from the Alberta boundary.

Investigators are still waiting for EnCana to seal the leak.

The Mounties are linking Wednesday's blast to three last October and one in January.

The blasts kept the community on edge for months and brought attention to local animosity toward expanding oil and gas activity.

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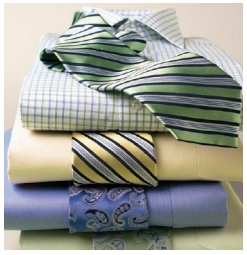

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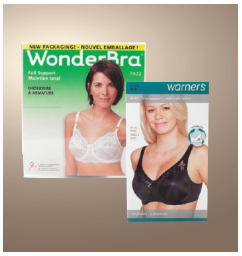

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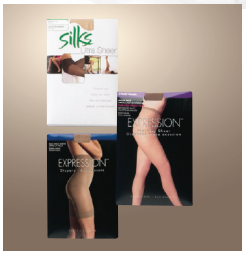

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British call for Turks and Caicos probe

A British corruption inquiry is calling for a criminal probe into former Turks and Caicos premier Michael Misick. The British Foreign Office says the inquiry's final report also finds a need for "urgent and wide-ranging systemic change" in the British territory located between Haiti and the Bahamas. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Petraeus bound for Calgary Stampede

The soldier who oversees U.S. forces in Afghanistan is heading to the Calgary Stampede. Gen. David Petraeus, left, the head of U.S. Central Command, is best known for co-ordinating the troop surge in Iraq that is credited with significantly reducing violence there. He took responsibility late last year for American forces in Afghanistan. The commander's visit to Calgary came after an invitation by Canada's top soldier, Gen. Walter Natynczyk. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Obama lobs shot at Putin

Week before visit, president says Cold War-era behaviour 'outdated'

On the eve of a trip to Moscow, U.S. President Barack Obama scolded Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin Thursday for keeping "one foot in the old ways of doing business." By contrast, he said Putin's hand-picked successor as president understands that Cold War behaviour is outdated.

In a White House interview with The Associated Press, the president said he will meet with both Putin and President Dmitry Medvedev on his trip, in hopes they can "move in concert in co-operating with us on some critical issues."

Obama also said he is not reconciled to Iran obtaining a nuclear weapon within a year and did not rule out sending additional U.S. soldiers to Afghanistan.

Scheduled to leave next week on a trip to Russia, Italy and Ghana, Obama praised Moscow for its co-operation in attempting to persuade North Korea and Iran to abandon their nuclear development programs. The United Nations recently approved "the most robust sanction regime that we've ever seen with respect to North Korea," he said.

The president said his agenda in Russia includes talks on a new treaty to curtail long-range nuclear missiles.

North Korea test-launched four short-range missiles Thursday.

Asked why he intends to meet with Putin, Obama said the former president "still has a lot of sway ... and I think that it's important that even as we move forward with President Medvedev that Putin understand that the old Cold War approaches to U.S.-Russian relations is outdated; that it's time to move forward in a different direction."

"I think Medvedev understands that. I think Putin has one foot in the old ways of doing business and one foot in the new, and to the extent that we can provide him and the Russian people a clear sense that the U.S. is not seeking an antagonistic relationship but wants co-operation on nuclear non-proliferation, fighting terrorism, energy issues, that we'll end up having a stronger partner overall in this process," he said.

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U.S. President Barack Obama prepares to leave Thursday following his interview with The Associated Press in the West Wing of the White House in Washington.

More U.S. job cuts

- American employers cut a larger-than-expected 467,000 jobs in June and the U.S. unemployment rate climbed to a 26-year high of 9.5 per cent. Workers also saw weekly wages fall, suggesting Americans will have little appetite to spend and the economy's road to recovery will be bumpy.

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In this picture from a TV broadcast Thursday, Bahia Bakari, right, is brought back to France on a medical plane.

Teenage crash survivor returns home to France

CRASH A severely bruised young girl believed to be the only survivor of an Indian Ocean plane crash flew back to Paris Thursday, where she was embraced by her father. Bahia Bakari, 14, returned to France from the Comoros Islands on a French government plane.

Yemenia Flight 626 crashed Tuesday off Comoros amid heavy winds.

Bahia, described by her father as a fragile girl who could barely swim, spent more than 13 hours in the water clinging to wreckage before she was rescued. She was found suffering from hypothermia, a fractured collarbone and widespread bruises to her face, her elbow and her foot.

The other 152 people on the plane, including her mother and others from France's large Comoran community, are presumed dead.

"In the midst of the mourning, there is Bahia. It is a miracle, it is an absolutely extraordinary battle for survival," France's co-operation minister, Alain Joyandet, said. "It's an enormous message that she sends to the world ... almost nothing is impossible."

Joyandet said the girl recounted her ordeal a bit to him. "She says instructions were given to passengers and that then she felt something like electricity ... as if she had been a bit electrocuted," Joyandet said. "And suddenly there was this big sound. She found herself in the water." At one point, he said, Bahia fell asleep, clinging to a piece of debris.

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Children found locked in shed

TEXAS A couple were arrested after a state inspector found several children locked in a tool shed behind an unlicensed daycare centre. Officials said the children were surrounded by gasoline and insecticide when they were found Wednesday. The children were unhurt. An inspector had gone in response to a complaint that an illegal daycare centre was being operated. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAS warns of sanctions against Honduras

COUP A top diplomat said Thursday he is heading to Honduras to demand the return of the president toppled at gunpoint — a mission he said is likely to meet rejection, bringing diplomatic and economic punishment for the impoverished Central American nation.

The head of the Organization of American States, Jose Miguel Insulza, said he plans to travel to Honduras Friday to insist on the restoration of President Manuel Zelaya, who was ousted in a coup last weekend.

"We are not going to Honduras to negotiate."
OAS head
Jose Miguel Insulza

"I will do everything I can. But I think it will be very hard to turn things around in a couple of days," Insulza said at a summit of Caribbean leaders in Guyana. "We are not going to Honduras to negotiate. We are going to Honduras to ask them to change what they have been doing."

The OAS says it will suspend Honduras if Zelaya isn't back in office by Saturday, bringing sanctions that could block international aid to one of the poorest nations in the hemisphere.

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News in brief

CROATIA Lawmakers accepted the resignation of Prime Minister Ivo Sanader Thursday, but were left without explanation of his unexpected move. Sanader said he had decided to quit politics Wednesday and insisted the reason was not the growing economic crisis and the country's deadlocked bid to join the European Union.

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Chechnya death plot thwarted, Russia says
Russian forces in Chechnya say they killed an insurgent who was plotting to kill strongman leader Ramzan Kadyrov. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iran gets tough

Seven arrested; 'terrorists' blamed for violence

IranCrisis

Iran on Thursday announced more arrests in post-election turmoil.

Seven people allegedly linked to Iranian exiles were detained for promoting violence.

The move underlines the authorities' drive to portray protests as the work of outsiders rather than a reflection of widespread popular dismay.

The arrests continue a heavy crackdown that has squashed the mass protests that erupted over the disputed June 12 presidential vote.

Iran's top police chief has said 20 people were killed in violence during the protests and 1,032 people were detained.

Pullout looms?

- The European Union was considering a proposal Thursday to withdraw all its 27 ambassadors from Iran.

Meanwhile, in another move to push the government's depiction of the protests, the semi-official Fars news agency reported Thursday that families of "innocent victims" of bloodshed during demonstrations would receive government compensation.

Fars said "terrorists infiltrated among protesters to foment unrest," causing the violence.

There was no word on who would receive compensation and how much. But it appeared to refer to eight members of the Basij paramilitary militia who were reportedly killed.

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Gaza **If it's Thursday, it must be laundry day**

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A Palestinian boy hangs laundry inside a damaged house Thursday — hit in January during Israel's military offensive in Gaza — in the Rafah refugee camp, southern Gaza Strip. Amnesty International accused Israel and Palestinian militants of war crimes Thursday in the most comprehensive report yet on the recent Gaza war.

News in brief

WAR NATO's new commander, U.S. Navy Admiral James Stavridis, said Thursday the war in Afghanistan remains "very challenging," but the Taliban and other insurgents can be defeated. He spoke out during a swearing-in ceremony in Belgium. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The sex was a scream — sadly

CRIME A group of teens misunderstood a woman's screams during sex and, thinking they were stopping an assault, beat up a 25-year-old man in her bedroom, police said.

A 16-year-old girl who lives in the same Connecticut home as the 34-year-old woman rounded up four friends to stop what they thought was an attack, police said.

The teens beat the man with a bat and punched him. Four teens were arrested. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Canadian Gold Hunter acquires Sanu in deal

Canadian Gold Hunter Corp. will acquire all of Sanu Resources Ltd. under a proposed all-stock transaction announced Thursday. The two companies said in a joint news release that Gold Hunter has agreed to swap 0.5725 shares of Canadian Gold Hunter for each Sanu share. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Avoiding the credit crunch

No matter how you swipe them, credit cards are full of pros and cons that weigh heavily on young Canadians and can sometimes be a make-or-break influence on their pocketbooks.

On one hand, a credit card can help beef up credit ratings before a cardholder seeks a loan for a major purchase like a home or car. But those points programs can sometimes prove so attractive that consumers dig themselves into a deep hole of debt.

More young Canadians are growing up with plastic cards in their pockets than ever before. The trend could develop into a dangerous habit for some shoppers, because it creates the illusion of a seemingly endless cash flow the user carries into their adult life, financial experts suggest.

"Some people think if they've got $500 (in credit) they have $500 (in cash) — that's not the case," said John Nardi, a financial adviser at Edward Jones.

Nardi suggests newcomers avoid getting caught up in cards that promise hefty rewards like travel points or gift cards — most of those require an annual fee. Young credit card owners also should avoid signing up for cards they don't require or aren't likely to be approved for, as being turned down can hurt your credit rating, he said.

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Playing it safe

- To play it safer, most major Canadian banks offer basic credit cards, sometimes without any fees. Those ones generally don't give you points, but also help ensure you don't dig yourself into a financial rut.

Air Canada union may vote on contract again

Air Canada and the union representing its mechanics and technical staff will meet Friday after workers narrowly rejected a key labour contract that freezes wages and gives the airline a break on pensions.

The International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers could ask its members to vote again on the tentative deal that freeze wages until March 31, 2011, union spokesman Bill Trbovich said Thursday.

The agreement needs to be approved because there aren't any pay raises to get for these workers, he said.

"We're trying to explain to them that there's no money to give out," Trbovich said from Toronto where the union bargaining team was meeting.

Air Canada says it needs immediate pension relief, and is seeking $600 million in loans to survive the recession.

The union also could ask the airline whether the tentative agreement can be tweaked in any way, he added.

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An Air Canada jet is shown in this file photo. The company's largest union, which narrowly rejected a proposed labour contract Tuesday, may be asked to vote again.

National Bank buys 20% of AlphaPro from Jovian Capital

PURCHASE National Bank Financial Group has agreed to buy 20 per cent of AlphaPro Management Inc., which operates Canadian actively managed ETFs, from Jovian Capital Corp. and its subsidiary BetaPro Management Inc.

BetaPro manages the Horizons BetaPro family of exchange-traded funds. Like ETFs generally, the BetaPro products are designed to passively mimic the ups and downs of benchmark stock indexes. AlphaPro, a subsidiary of BetaPro, manages approximately $64 million on behalf of investors.

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Business in brief

MORTGAGES Rates for 30-year home loans in the U.S. inched downward this week, but are above record lows posted during the spring, Freddie Mac said Thursday. The average rate for a 30-year fixed mortgage was 5.32 this week, below last week's average of 5.42 per cent. Last year at this time, the average rate for a 30-year fixed mortgage was 6.35 per cent.

PRIVATE PLACEMENT Creston Moly Corp. plans to raise $3 million through the offering of shares and purchase warrants in a non-brokered private placement announced Thursday. Each unit will be priced at 10 cents and consist of one common share and one purchase warrant, with proceeds to be used for general working capital.

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Chopped down paper company gets new CRO

Bruce Robertson, a former senior managing partner at Brookfield Asset Management Inc., has been appointed chief restructuring officer by AbitibiBowater Inc. The newsprint and lumber producer is under court protection from creditors and was delisted from the Toronto Stock Exchange May 15. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Life after auto plant closures

Cities are learning to diversify their economic interests

The resurrection of the Chevrolet Camaro remains a sore point for many former General Motors workers near Montreal, but Quebec's last automotive town has discovered it's better off in some ways without the troubled carmaker.

The Boisbriand plant shut its doors in 2002, leaving 1,500 people unemployed.

By the time GM decided to resume production last March of the iconic muscle car in Oshawa, the sprawling plant that was the centrepiece of Boisbriand for 35 years had been levelled and efforts were underway to transform the land into an eco-friendly neighbourhood.

Boisbriand, located about 45 kilometres northwest of Montreal, can take comfort in the fact it was able to weather the worst of its own economic storm before the global financial crisis really took hold.

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New Camaros and Firebirds sit in the yard in front of the General Motors plant in Boisbriand, Que., in this file photo. Boisbriand used to be home to a GM plant, but when the automotive giant closed it in 2002, the town north of Montreal had to reinvent itself.

"It was hard for the city, which lost a major tax revenue," Boisbriand Mayor Sylvie St-Jean said in an interview. "We're talking $2.2 million. We're starting to come out of it."

While the situation is somewhat more dire in cities like Oshawa and Windsor they too are preparing for a future in which the automotive industry plays a smaller role.

In Oshawa in the last year alone, the city lost 10,000 jobs, many of them last May when a truck plant was idled.

Mayor John Gray said while "many families are hurting," much is being done to mitigate the effects. Despite popular belief, building permits are up as Oshawa continues to attract industrial, commercial, government and institutional investment.

Windsor, Canada's automotive capital, once supported close to 60,000 automotive jobs. Today, about 12,000 remain. The city's unemployment rate in May was 13.5 per cent, the highest in Canada.

Mayor Eddie Francis is confident the auto sector won't completely disappear but he knows it's changing and, as such, the city is adapting. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Feds funding drug company

Canadian pharmaceutical company Biovail Corp. has received a $50-million US commitment from Export Development Canada under the Crown corporation's broader mandate to provide domestic financing and insurance.

50 The amount in millions Biovail received from Export Development Canada.

The federal Crown corporation said Thursday it has committed $50 million US towards a $400-million US revolving credit facility for Biovail, Canada's largest publicly traded pharmaceutical company.

The EDC, which primarily provides various types of financing to enable Canadian companies to complete foreign deals, received a two-year expansion in March as part of the federal government's efforts to loosen tight credit conditions. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tax break for struggling U.S. papers

MEDIA As newspapers across America struggle through a brutal economic climate, papers in Washington state are getting a tax break.

A new law that gives newspaper printers and publishers a 40 per cent cut in Washington's main business tax took effect this week, providing some much-needed relief to the business after a year in which The Seattle Post-Intelligencer printed its final edition and other papers suffered drastic cutbacks.

The Washington tax cut, which will cost the state about $1.3 million a year, was approved despite uneasiness in the industry about newspapers relying on the government they cover for help.

But there was also a recognition that these are historic times for the industry. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business in brief

DEBT Allen-Vanguard Corp. a maker of high-hazard protective equipment, said Thursday it has received another payment extension from its lenders as it continues takeover talks with a U.S. investor.

HEALTH Johnson&Johnson said Thursday it will take an 18.4 per cent stake in Ireland-based drug developer Elan Corp. with a $1-billion investment. Johnson&Johnson also is buying Elan Corp.'s stake in its Alzheimer's disease treatment partnership with Wyeth, and rolling it into a new Johnson&Johnson company. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Are you ready for your golden years?

InBusiness

The storm warnings of Canada's impending pension crisis are hard to miss. Some 3.5 million of us have no workplace pension plan whatsoever. Those who do are enrolled in plans that may not be able to meet long-term commitments.

Not surprisingly, there are calls for new public pension plans, mandatory and voluntary. The idea is to supplement the incomes of retirees, whose ranks will swell as baby boomers flood into retirement. As things stand, the outlook is grim. According to HSBC Insurance, which annually surveys the global retirement scene, 83 per cent of Canadians have no real idea what their retirement income will be.

Even the bedrock of our pension system, the Canada Pension Plan, is being fine-tuned to reflect growing stresses. As part of their triennial review, the federal and provincial finance ministers who oversee the CPP decided to further reduce the size of benefits taken between the ages of 60 and 65. This change will be phased in over five years, starting in 2012. Conversely, those who wait until they're between the ages of 65 and 70 to apply for the CPP will get more than before. These increases will be phased in over three years, starting in 2011. The intent, clearly, is to encourage those who can manage it to delay taking their CPP benefits as long as possible.

PensionSeries

(Editor's note: This is the first part of a three-part series by Charles Davies on pension plans.)

Also in 2012, the CPP will eliminate the work cessation test, which states you either stop working for the two-month period when benefits start or keep other income below $908.75 per month, the current maximum CPP benefit. The aim is to provide benefits sooner without financial disruption for those with lower incomes.

Despite recent criticisms over its investment performance (the CPP fund's assets dropped 14 per cent to $105.5 billion in the latest fiscal year) and the bonuses given to managers at the CPP Investment Board, the CPP is one of the pension world's greatest successes. Since reforms stabilized the plan in the 1990s, the CPP has grown hugely on the strength of an increasingly sophisticated investment strategy. And given the current level of contributions, investment income won't be needed to pay benefits for 11 years.

There's just one catch. The CPP is only designed to replace about 25 per cent of your pre-retirement earnings. That means you'll need other income — in entitlements like OAS and GIS, company pension plans, and personal savings — to have a comfy old age.

Next: Why personal savings and company pensions won't fill the gap.

Charles Davies is a veteran business writer who has worked for Canadian and international news organizations.

Views

Slobs making strike anything but civil

UrbanCompass

Moments of duress — like a municipal workers' strike — are the real test of a society's civility. Ensuring that civility is maintained, however, depends in large part on the enforcement of rules — in this case the rule against illegal dumping.

The fact is that 11 days into this labour dispute, most Toronto residents are coping. Neighbours are helping neighbours deal with the child-care dilemma. Friends and family are stepping up.

On the garbage front, many residents are either taking their waste to a designated disposal site or stoically storing trash in old-fashioned metal and plastic cans. These citizens deserve top marks for making due in the face of adversity.

Unfortunately, the list of cretins who deserve a failing grade is a long one. Let's start with the slobs responsible for dumping litter into street planters, onto sidewalks and in public squares. Maybe they do this all the time and we don't realize it because city workers pick up after them. Or maybe they are being particularly cavalier because garbage disposal bins are all filled to bursting. In any case, they shouldn't be getting away with it.

The dead of night seems to bring out a particularly nasty breed of offenders. They sneak around adding their garbage to trash bags that law-abiding business operators set out for collection by private contractors. They dump garbage in residential laneways. And rather than lining up to drop off bags at designated depots, they lurk near parks, waiting to dump their waste in these already beleaguered public places.

Mayor David Miller insists offenders will be punished, but clearly the threat isn't much of a deterrent. This is no small matter. The lack of enforcement leaves law-abiding citizens frustrated, angry and often ready to take on the lawbreakers in ugly confrontations. The result is anything but civil.

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Nestor back in Wimbledon doubles final

Toronto's Daniel Nestor and Serbian partner Nenad Zimonjic are a win away from celebrating their second straight men's doubles title at Wimbledon. The second-seeded defending champions will face top-seeded American twins Mike and Bob Bryan in the final Saturday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Back to Mannywood

Manny Ramirez, left, is set to return to Major League Baseball Friday night after serving a 50-game suspension for violating the league's drug policy. The National League West-leading L.A. Dodgers were 21-8 before Man-Ram's suspension and have gone 29-21 since. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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You know you're a Canadian sports fan when...

Every Canada Day is gut-check time for true fans of sport in this country.

It's that time of year when we take note of the things that make us different as a sporting nation.

For instance, there's the Calgary Stampede. Billed as "the greatest outdoor show on Earth," it is the richest rodeo in the world.

In spite of bleeding hearts that object to calf roping and chuck-wagon racing, the Stampede soldiers on. It is a rollicking testament to how the west was won. The frontier spirit of the cowboy, it seems, will never die and this wonderful rodeo has continued to grow every year since its inception in 1912.

On Canada Day, the CFL kicked off another season. On the Prairie and in big cities at either end of the country, the beginning of the chase for the Grey Cup signals a game that reflects the vastness of the land.

It's a big field — much bigger than the one in the NFL — one that begs an adventurous spirit. In the Canadian Football League, risky passing and open-field running are standard fare. It's football by exploration and the ball changes hands frequently. There are only three downs and plenty of scoring, making each possession a voyage of discovery.

In every way, the brand of football played in the CFL mirrors Canada. It's wild and unpredictable and rarely boring.

The ubiquitous sport in this country is hockey. Every year on Canada Day, hockey creates a stir in the national consciousness.

The great Jean Beliveau, a man once asked to be the governor general, will be the honorary captain of the 2010 Olympic men's hockey team. It's a natural choice — so Canadian in its overtones.

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Finally, isn't it fitting that in the sports pages on the country's birthday, hockey dominated the headlines?

The Canadiens and the Flames acquired new players who promise fresh hope next season when summer has given way to our obsession with ice.

You know you're a Canadian sports fan when a wild west rodeo, three-down football and the constant magic of hockey matter most.

Then again, on Canada's birthday, these are the things about sport that make it a party not to be missed.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

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Venus Williams plays a forehand Thursday during the women's singles semifinal match against Dinara Safina on Day 10 of Wimbledon at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in London, England. Venus will play her sister, Serena, in Saturday's women's final.

All-Williams final

Venus, Serena to face off for Wimbledon title

Venus and Serena Williams won in contrasting fashion Thursday to set up their fourth all-sister Wimbledon final and eighth meeting in a Grand Slam title match.

Two-time champion Serena saved a match point and overcame Russian Elena Dementieva 6-7 (4), 7-5, 8-6 in 2 hours 49 minutes — the longest women's semifinal at Wimbledon in at least 40 years. Five-time winner Venus, meanwhile, needed only 51 minutes to demolish Dinara Safina of Russia 6-1, 6-0 and reach her eighth Wimbledon final.

"Oh, my God, this is my eighth final, and it's a dream come true to be here again and have the opportunity to hold the plate up," Venus said.

The sisters — who hold 17 Grand Slam titles between them — will face each other in a Fourth of July final.

"A fourth final — it's so exciting. It was so hard before my match to watch all that drama," Venus said, referring to Serena's semifinal. "It was so difficult. But the hardest part is next to come, to play Serena Williams."

One Williams or the other has won seven of the past nine championships at the All England Club. Serena beat Venus in the 2002 and '03 finals, and Venus came out on top against her younger sister last year.

Venus is bidding to become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1991-93 to win Wimbledon three years in a row.

There have been seven previous all-Williams championship matches at majors, with Serena holding a 5-2 lead. Overall, the sisters are 10-10.

"The more we play, the better it gets," Serena said. "Wen we play our match on Saturday, you know, it's for everything. This is what we dreamed of when we were growing up in Compton (Calif.) 20-something years ago. This is what we worked for, and this is what we want. Like I wanted her to win today and she wanted me to win today. It's all come down to this."

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Bruce fined for TD celebration

Arland Bruce might have thought it would be a thriller, but the CFL decided it was simply bad. The league fined the Toronto slotback an undisclosed amount Thursday for his touchdown celebration paying tribute to Michael Jackson in the Argos' season-opening win over the Hamilton Tiger-Cats Wednesday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Lots of surprise invitees to Olympic hockey camp

MATTHEW WUEST
Metro Canada

When you glance at the stats, you might wonder why Dan Cleary's 40 points are going to Hockey Canada's Olympic men's orientation camp over Marc Savard's 90.

Or Milan Lucic's 42 over Mike Cammalleri's 82. Or Patrick Sharp's 44 over Jason Spezza's 73.

The answer? Hockey Canada's staff, which unveiled its 46-man roster for the Aug. 24-27 camp in Calgary Thursday, doesn't want an all-star team with four lines of scorers.

"When we put this list together, we wanted to bring in different types of players," said Team Canada executive director Steve Yzerman. "Some guys who aren't leading their teams in scoring, but are very good players in a different role (were invited). In doing that, we had to remove (some high-scoring players)."

That said, there is no absence of skill, led by three-time 100-point man Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins as well as Joe Thornton, Vincent Lecavalier, Jarome Iginla, Dany Heatley and Ryan Getzlaf.

But players such as Cleary, Lucic, Sharp and Brenden Morrow bring a grinding element that is well-suited for a fourth line at the international level. Yzerman covets that.

"It's important for us to have some big, strong guys who can wear down the opposition," Yzerman said.

In addition to 25 forwards, Yzerman invited 16 defencemen and five goaltenders. Veterans Scott Niedermayer and Chris Pronger headline the defensive invites, while Martin Brodeur and Robert Luongo are the big names in goal.

Yzerman listed hockey sense, skating ability, competitiveness and versatility as the assets he's looking for. He said most importantly he wants a roster of "responsible players."

"If you lose a game, you're out," he said. "You can't afford to have guys who are high-risk and make a lot of mistakes."

Canada's roster will ultimately be made up of 23 players.

Sports in brief

MAPLE LEAFS Mikhail Grabovski will be back with the Toronto Maple Leafs. The Belarusian forward signed an $8.7-million US, three-year deal with the Maple Leafs Thursday. That averages out to $2.9 million per season — a big raise on the $850,000 salary he earned last year.

THRASHERS Nik Antropov has cashed in with the Atlanta Thrashers. The big centre signed a $16-million US, four-year contract with the Thrashers, joining his third different team since March. Antropov spent the first nine years of his career with the Toronto Maple Leafs before being dealt to the New York Rangers at the trade deadline.

BAY Canadian left-fielder Jason Bay married an American, has two American daughters and makes his living playing America's pastime. The 30-year-old from Trail, B.C., was among 360 people to become U.S. citizens Thursday in Boston.

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Travel

Best beaches

Florida beaches have grabbed the top three spots on TripAdvisor's ranking of the best U.S. beaches. Pinellas County's Fort De Soto Park near St. Petersburg came in at No. 1; the Florida Keys' Bahia Honda State Park was No. 2; and Panama City's St. Andrew's State Park was No. 3. Two other Florida beaches, Siesta Beach and Cape Florida State Park, recently made the annual top 10 list from Dr. Stephen Leatherman, a.k.a Dr. Beach. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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On the lam with the Trailer Park Boys

Fans flock to threesome's questionable haunts in Nova Scotia

WENDY MCCANN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

If a visit to the Greenridge Mobile Home Park in Dartmouth, N.S., above, makes you feel like firing off your pistol or throwing a bottle, it's because it was once a set for Sunnyvale, where the boys grew their dope, hatched their half-cocked, get-rich-quick schemes and tangled with the law. Below, police rental cars are lined up across from a Trailer Park Boys filming site in Dartmouth.

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MICHAEL TOMPKINS

From left, Julian, Bubbles and Ricky pose on a downtown Halifax street for a scene from their upcoming film, Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day, which is to be released in September.

Anyone who thinks the spotlight died on Ricky, Julian and Bubbles the day the axe fell on the cult TV hit Trailer Park Boys hasn't been to Nova Scotia lately — ya know what am sayin' dawg?

Their unfortunate DNA is littered all over the province.

On a recent spring night spent at the Bubbles Mansion night club in downtown Halifax — an establishment co-owned by Bubbles' alter ego Mike Smith — a fellow restaurateur from Ulsan, South Korea, sat at the bar, hoping against all odds that the soft-hearted and soft-in-the-head kitten freak would come through the door.

Yes, the Canadian television classic has such a global following that even fans who live a million miles away from Sunnyvale Park gather regularly to watch re-runs and sink shooters every time their most cherished character drops an f-bomb.

At the Mansion, followers can take souvenir snapshots of themselves outside Bubbles' shed — the real deal, which was torn down and set back up again on the bar's dance floor after every season — complete with kittie plaques, table top hockey game, toilet and all.

The shopping carts that Bubbles would steal from one grocery store and sell to another to make a buck hang from the ceiling. Photos of him with his trademark Coke-bottle glasses and protruding lower lip playing guitar with Rush idol Alex Lifeson, with Getty Lee on bass, decorate the walls.

Smith owns several more restaurants in Halifax, including Bubba Ray's sports bar on Spring Garden Road, which has 26 flat-screen TVs, 60 wing sauces and as many artifacts signed by another Nova Scotia hero, Sidney Crosby. But it's across the Macdonald Bridge, in the working-class town of Dartmouth, where the real diehards can get their TPB fix. If a visit to the Greenridge Mobile Home Park makes you feel like firing off your pistol or throwing a bottle, it's because Greenridge was once a set for Sunnyvale, where the boys grew their dope, hatched their half-cocked, get-rich-quick schemes and tangled with the law.

Any TPB fan lucky enough to be invited inside the trailer of Danny Kempt is in for a treat. Kempt is brimming with stories about what life was like when the lovable louts filmed their show along the park's otherwise tranquil streets.

"It was like living in the city, it was beautiful, all that activity," says Kempt in his easy-on-the-ear East Coast lilt. "A hundred days or so they were here. It was just like living in the graveyard across the street the next morning when they were gone. I got up and I said 'What?' Nothing. Not hardly a car. It was a riot when there were here. It was a riot." Danny's friends J. Bird Dorey and the girls Mandy and Cindy are over, having a lunchtime party that will stretch well into the evening hockey game.

J. Bird beams with pride as he explains that his daughter was one of the bottle thrower kids who tormented Mr. Lahey, the park's alcoholic manager.

The whole scene is classic Trailer Park Boys and yet the true pot of gold is still a short drive away on Bissett Road.

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Above, the Bubbles Mansion in downtown Halifax is co-owned by Bubbles' alter-ego Mike Smith.

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The jail, where the boys ended and began almost every season as the drug deals that would catapult them out of the park bombed, sits at the top of a long driveway. A sign on the locked fence says that trespassers will be prosecuted but it's not hard to find another way in.

Ray's "house," the red and black truck cabin that Ricky's dad lived in after the chip pan fire burned down his trailer, is still on the grounds. The white picket fence that surrounded the park with irony is there too. The trailers have been taken away but the outlines of where they once stood still mark the spot.

An earthy brown substance clings to the only paved driveway on the lot, likely the famous hash driveway Julian was trying to hide from the cops in Season 5.

So, is living in a Nova Scotia trailer park anything like the way it looks on TPB? "It depends, you know what I mean?" says Danny Kempt, a cold can of Molson Export in his hand. "Like as I say, the tray is there, it don't matter who comes through the door," he adds pointing to the ashtray next to his swivel arm chair that's never without a smoke.

"It's just the boulevard of broken dreams, right?" he says, collapsing into laughter as he points to the James Dean movie poster to his left, and the one of Cheech and Chong to his right.

"As they say, 'Up in smoke we go, har har har.'" THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A neighbourhood watch sign at the Greenridge Mobile Home Park, which was once a Trailer Park Boys set.

Good to know

Bubbles Mansion night club: Located at 5287 Prince St., at the Market Street intersection in downtown Halifax, across from the Citadel.

Bubba Ray's: Bubbles' wing and sports bar is a five-minute stumble along Brunswick Street to the popular Spring Garden Road.

Greenridge Mobile Home Park: Hop in the car and cross the Macdonald Bridge to Dartmouth. Take Portland Street (it turns into Cole Harbour Road), until you come to Bissett Road. Both the park and the old jail set are on Bissett.

The stunt yard: Where the cop cars hauled the boys to jail is just across the road from the park. The TPBs didn't have to travel far.

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A view of the Vancouver Art Gallery.

Vancouver Art Gallery launches new outdoor exhibition space

CULTURAL TOURISM The Vancouver Art Gallery is launching an outdoor exhibition space on downtown Georgia Street, with prominent Chinese photographer O Zhang as the first featured artist.

Her installation Horizon (Sky) depicts young girls in a rural part of central China, posing in front of a camera for the first time. It will run from July 20 to Nov. 29. The space at the foot of the new Shangri-La Hotel will present exhibits by local and international contemporary artists, the gallery says. Works will be mounted on an L-shaped wall facing Georgia, the main thoroughfare leading through the heart of the downtown business district into Stanley Park.

"It's an ideal location to have an extension of the gallery that's visible and accessible on a daily basis to thousands of residents and visitors," said gallery spokesperson Dana Sullivant. Exhibits will be chosen with outdoor conditions in mind. "They will be works that will be specifically suited and installed, knowing that they're going to be exposed to the elements," said Sullivant.

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Ontario outings

Expanded plans

• Porter Airlines is introducing year-round flights between Thunder Bay and Toronto City Centre Airport following strong interest in the just-launched route, which was initially only supposed to operate during the summer months. "Porter is seeing an overwhelmingly positive response to our unique service in Thunder Bay," said Robert Deluce, president and CEO of Porter Airlines. "We're pleased to be extending the summer program all year based on high demand." Porter's Thunder Bay schedule consists of three daily roundtrips during the week and two roundtrips on both Saturday and Sunday. For more information, visit flyporter.com

Hotels aplenty

• The timing might not be ideal, but the airport strip has gotten another new hotel. Hard on the heels of new boutique Hotel Indigo — yes, a boutique hotel on the airport strip — the $28-million Radisson Plaza Mississauga Toronto Airport has thrown open its doors.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

A Porter Airlines plane prepares to taxi to the runway at Toronto City Centre Airport.

The 100-room, all-suite hotel is located at 175 Derry Rd. E.; guestrooms range from 400 to 1,500 square feet, and each suite has a fireplace, complimentary wired and wireless high-speed Internet access, two LCD televisions, IP phones, a safe, microwave and mini bar/fridge. The aesthetic goal was "showstopping," and Victorian-inspired decor includes crown moulding, crystal chandeliers, rich dark woods, opulent furniture and 176 tons of imported marble. See radisson.com.

Park it

• One of Ontario's newest provincial parks is Kawartha Highlands Signature Site, located 50 kilometres north of the Peterborough. The park is the largest protected area south of Algonquin Park, encompassing 37, 587 hectares along the southern edge of the Canadian Shield. The latest edition of Ontario Parks Insider, an e-newsletter, features an interview with the park's superintendent about the progress on the site. For more details, visit ontario parks.com/english/kawa.html. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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NEW YORK CITY Comics Whoopi Goldberg and Jerry Seinfeld are among the celebrities featured in new free audio tours of Central Park. Signs posted throughout the park will provide a phone number and a code that visitors and locals can dial to hear the tours from the Central Park Conservancy.

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Earthquake lake, just outside of Yellowstone's western border.

The trip is drawing to a close: I've been on the road for 36 days and am starting to feel my age. For the past week I've slept in a tent, and even though I have a ThermaRest and proper sleeping bag, I still awake each morning with aches and pains. I've started taking Tylenol to take the edge off.

I'm now anxious to get home, though when I look at a map of North America, I can see I'm still pretty far away. This combination of thoughts makes riding hazardous, because your focus is more on distance and time then it is on the ride and your surroundings.

I've noticed my speed is increasing and that I have less patience. It takes a conscious effort for me to calm myself down and to resume the pace at which I began the trip.

Arriving at home alive is part of the deal, so the sooner I get myself under control, the better. There are still a few sights to see before I call the ride a success.

Initially, I planned to ride down from Banff into Montana. I'd heard that Logan Pass, which runs across Glacier National Park, was worth the visit.

Unfortunately, I got rained on in Banff and changed my route to try to avoid the weather. So I rode down through Kootenay National Park, along Highway 95 and into Idaho.

I crossed over the border just north of Bonners Ferry, then noticed my low beam headlight had burned out. I would have to skip Glacier National Park and ride to Missoula, Mont., which was the closest town that had a BMW dealership. Riding all day to get there, I arriving in town around 4:45 p.m. Unfortunately the dealer was closed. It was a Saturday and they would not be open again until Monday. I was going to have to ride during daylight hours until I could get to another dealer. I left Missoula and rode over to Butte, Mont. to stay the night.

After a good night's sleep in a hotel, my mood improved. I turned south to Yellowstone National Park. After my visits to Crater Lake, Mount Hood and Mount St. Helens, I thought it appropriate to see an active volcano.

Yellowstone Lake is centered over the Yellowstone Caldera, the largest supervolcano on the continent. The place is spooky. Vents of super-heated steam shoot up to the sky throughout the park. There are pits where mud bubbles to the surface. Hot springs of bright blue water are in abundance. Ghost trees line the road. Apparently, the question is not whether the area will blow up, but when. But I wasn't going to stay long enough to find out. The Grand Tetons, just down the road from Yellowstone, were my next destination.

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The joker

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Sacha Baron Cohen has made a one-man industry out of skewering stereotypes, adopting personas — like Ali G, Borat and, most recently, Brüno — and disrupting American ideals while milking major laughs in the process. But you'd be as wrong as those hotpants if you thought he launched this comedic tradition; it can, in fact, be traced back to the '40s.

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Top stars in talks to take Steve McQueen roles.

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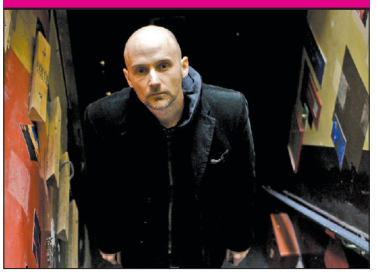

Moby didn't make his latest record for you — or anybody.

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Elder Jackson brother opens up about Michael's death.

At a glance
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Guerrilla guffaws

Brüno's prankish conceit has precedents

Movie **feature**

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

It's a proven fact that Sacha Baron Cohen takes few prisoners in his go-for-broke quest for laughs. The British born enfant terrible has made a cottage industry out of skewering stereotypes, adopting personas — like Ali G and Borat — and disrupting American ideals while milking major laughs in the process.

His new film, the eagerly anticipated and much hyped Brüno, sees Cohen essaying his third most popular character — the flamboyantly gay fashionista — setting him loose upon the planet's most pretentious catwalks and the back alley's of conservative society to raise all manner of reality bending hell.

It's a prankish conceit that Cohen may have perfected but by no means invented. A casual look at pop culture history reveals a cavalcade of media terrorists who delighted in pulling the wool over the eyes of polite and not-so-polite society.

CANDID CAMERA Though the practical joke's origins probably dates back to the Stone Age, it was in the 1940s that a comedian named Allen Funt created the ABC radio show Candid Microphone.

Every week, Funt and his friends would hide a recording device in a covert location and trick pundits into falling for elaborate fictional gags. Later, when TV reared its head, Funt adapted, creating the long running and highly influential show into Candid Camera.

FUNNY MEN In the 1970s controversial comedian Andy Kaufman took the shtick to another, more avant-garde level in nightclubs and TV with his bizarre "foreign man" and Tony Clifton characters.

In recent history, Johnny Knoxville and his Jackass crew shocked the world with their bizarre and confrontational stunts on MTV. Ashton Kutcher became a cult hero with his star targeting hit series Punk'd, while Montreal's Just for Laughs team produced the ever popular Gags show airing regularly on the CBC.

Even fallen football hero O.J. Simpson tried his hand at the format with his pay-per-view show Juiced. The less said about that one, the better…

STING OPERATIONS And, in many ways, filmmaker Michael Moore, with his high-minded agenda pictures, manages to set up his victims with elaborate "sting" operations just like Funt did, though his aim is to ignite a dose of outrage to accompany a darker strain of laughter.

When the dust settles and the smoke clears though, it's Cohen who has truly created an art form out of the camera prank shtick but how long can he keep it up?

With the Ali G and Borat characters already exhausted, after Brüno, will there be anyone alive ignorant enough of his legacy enough to fool?

Sacha Baron Cohen returns as the titular gay Austrian fashionista in Brüno.

• Brüno hits theatres next week.

On the web

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Moon revives arty sci-fi

Moon

Director: Duncan Jones
Stars: Sam Rockwell, Kevin Spacey
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Sam Rockwell plays an astronaut in Duncan Jones' Moon.

REVIEW Duncan Jones's Moon is a deliberate throwback to the science fiction films of his youth. The setting feels like a future that might have been imagined in the '70s or '80s (complete with clapper and flowbee).

It's a film that comes out of a love of classic movies like 2001: A Space Odyssey and Alien, liberally borrowing from the style and worlds of its predecessors.

Occasionally this borrowing can go a too far and Moon can feel like little more than a collection of Jones' favourite scenes from other movies, but for the most part this pastiche succeeds admirably in reviving a dying subgenre: the science fiction art film.

Sam Rockwell stars as a lonely astronaut finishing up a three-year mission on the moon with only a monotone robot (Kevin Spacey) to keep him company. After accidentally crashing one of his vehicles, Rockwell wakes up and discovers what may or may not be his clone.

Until the last act we're never quite sure if Rockwell is the victim of a conspiracy or simply going bonkers. Though hardly an action-packed thrill ride, Moon offers plenty of oppressive atmosphere and suspense.

It's refreshing to see a movie that treats science fiction seriously rather using the genre to connect a series of space battles and explosions.

Moon is filled with so many obvious influences that a familiarity with the references Jones is making will often put the audience one step ahead of the characters.

But even if Moon can be a little predictable at times, the director does an admirable job of resurrecting a style of cinematic sci-fi has been missed by genre aficionados (not just thematically either, the film is filled with stunning model-based effects that will make you long for the pre-CGI era).

Duncan Jones may not have created a new science fiction classic with his debut, but he's certainly announced himself as a filmmaker with potential. Hopefully Moon will be the calling card for an intriguing career.

Jolie highest paid actress
Angelina Jolie, occupies the top spot on Forbes' highest paid actress list. Jennifer Aniston, comes in second. Between June 2008 and June 2009, the magazine estimates that Jolie earned $27 million US. THEWRAP.COM

Reel Time

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The return of Mr. Cool

Two new films on Steve McQueen in the pipelines

ANNE BRODIE
for Metro Canada

Suddenly the world's gone McQueen crazy.

With both Brad Pitt and Daniel Craig rumoured to be "in talks" to play Steve McQueen in two recently announced biopics, and McQueen's own screenplay being readied for the screen 27 years after his death, the King of Cool is back.

Producers are looking to cast an untitled biopic based on the book Steve McQueen: Portrait of an American Rebel — which looks at his early years in reform school, his affair with Ali McGraw, and his fascination with fast cars and drugs — and second biopic, focusing on his 15-year marriage to Neilie Toffel, is currently being adapted for the screen.

And Yucatan, an action adventure film based on McQueen's own 1,700-page script and storyboards, is being rewritten for production.

A-list stars even came out to New York's Lincoln Centre last month for a week of screenings of McQueen's films and lectures. Norman Jewison and Peter Yates were among co-stars, friends and directors who paid tribute to him.

So why the interests in McQueen?

McQueen, a.k.a. the King of Cool/Bandito, was a hipster Hollywood icon who is still admired for his independent strength and blue-eyed good looks.

"I don't believe in that phony hero stuff," he said.

McQueen could be trouble onset. He famously drove co-workers to distraction. He was quiet, tough yet vulnerable and a fighter to the core. He baited and threatened directors and manipulated studio executives with his chronic indecision.

He often began work on a film but feared he was doing the wrong thing and stopped production. "I live for myself and I answer to nobody," he said.

Even though McQueen was extremely wealthy, he delighted in what he called "hondling," or the art of acquiring freebies. He charged the studio rental fees for wearing his own clothes and jewelry in films.

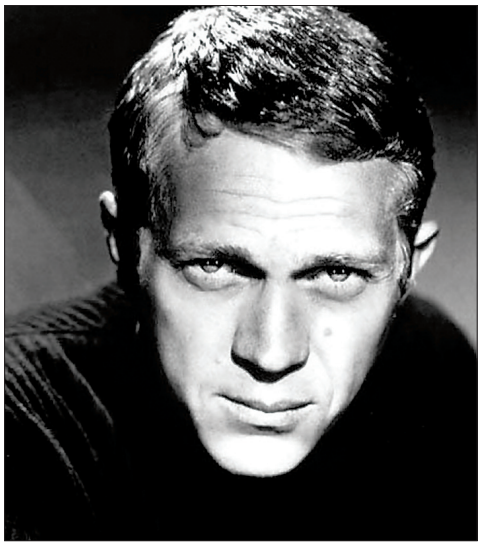
He "gave" a swimming pool to disadvantaged children in San Francisco and charged it back to the studio.

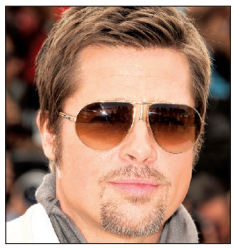
McQueen's salary always included a percentage of the film, which was unusual at that time. He was one of the first actors to earn multimillions per picture — $3 million at his peak — plus pages of perks and riders. It has even been reported he would dream up new ones during production.

Mr. Cool avoided the gossip rags until 1973, when he left his wife and three children for Ali McGraw who was also married. McQueen and McGraw were the Pitt and Angelina Jolie of the day.

Two generations of actors, including Colin Farrell, Kevin Costner, Bruce Willis and Pierce Brosnan, have cited him for inspiring them.

And, if this renewed interested in McQueen continues, another generation is about to have a look at the man who defined the word "cool."





Producers are eyeing Brad Pitt, bottom right, and Daniel Craig for the role of acting legend Steve McQueen, above, in two separate biopics. A film based on a McQueen screenplay is also in the works.

Best of McQueen

- The Great Escape (1963)
- The Cincinnati Kid (1965)
- The Thomas Crown Affair (1968)
- Bullitt (1968)
- The Getaway (1972)
- Papillon (1973)
- The Towering Inferno (1974)

Hurt Locker's explosive tale

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

"It's about these characters and how when they're good at their job, its seems so effortless and that's really fun to watch — especially a job that's so interesting as squatting over a (bomb) that could take you out at any moment."
Jeremy Renner

FEATURE He may have long played a sidekick in films like North Country and S.W.A.T but with his new movie, The Hurt Locker, about to hit theatres next Friday, Jeremy Renner is set to make the jump to leading man playing a rash, bomb-disabling commando.

"They're not like your typical soldier," explained Renner during a recent interview.

Somewhat aloof about landing the big role, the actor insists he was attracted more by the particularity of the part.

"I fell in love with the script because it was about EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal)," said Renner of the elite squads based in Iraq.

"What I found interesting about the story is that there isn't much story. It's about these characters and how when they're good at their job, its seems so effortless and that's really fun to watch — especially a job that's so interesting as squatting over a (bomb) that could take you out at any moment."

In the thriller, Renner plays the impulsive leader of an EOD squad whose soldiers-in-arms struggle with their reckless comrade even as he tries to understand his own wild ways.

Written by journalist Mark Boal (who was embedded with such a unit), the drama is raw, realistic and based on the personalities of true soldiers in Iraq.

"My character's not very typical of (these soldiers) but I wanted to stay pretty true to them," said Renner, adding that he met with an EOD officer before filming. "This one thing (I was told) was that they put one dogtag in their shoe. (When I asked why) ... 'ah, you always find shoes when someone blows up.'"

Co-star Anthony Mackie was also shocked by his research. Relating a story he heard, Mackie summarizes the resonance of the film through the tale of one soldier who held blast caps between his teeth – until he blew his jaw off.

"It's just one of those things where you never can play it safe," said Mackie.

"At any second, something could go wrong so you always have to be on it; you always have to be professional and those guys who aren't, sooner or later it catches up with them."

Jeremy Renner plays a bomb-disabling commando in The Hurt Locker, based on the book by journalist Mark Boal.

A scene from Empty Nest.

Nest both fascinating, frustrating

Empty Nest
Director: Danie Burman
Stars: Oscar Martinez, Cecillia Roth
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Although it shares its name with a successful '80s TV sitcom, Argentinean comic-drama Empty Nest plays out more as homage to mid-life crises through the eyes of legendary filmmaker Ingmar Bergman than it does as a spinoff to The Golden Girls.

Toss in a cheeky fantasy sequence where the main character follows the object of his infatuation while being followed by a marching band playing Ravel's Bolero and you've got an intriguing, albeit disorienting movie.

Written and directed by award-winning filmmaker Daniel Burman (Lost Embrace), Empty Nest stars Oscar Martinez as Leonardo, a retired playwright who slips between fact and fantasy once his youngest daughter moves out of the house. While the departure sends his wife (Cecilia Roth) back to university seeking the folly of youth, Leonardo is soon stricken with writer's block and fawning over a cute dentist — or is he?

The consistent blurring of what's real from what's being dreamed up in Leonardo's imagination only confuses much of the story causing Empty Nest to become as frustrating to watch as it is fascinating.

Still, with subtle, poignant performances and an almost poetic, bittersweet tone, Empty Nest's cloudiness will be a welcome relief from big, blistering Hollywood blockbusters.

Resident Evil instalment on the way

Those of you who sat through the ending of Resident Evil: Extinction probably saw it coming. A Resident Evil 4 is in development, and due for release on September 17, 2010 according to Shock Till You Drop. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Reel Time

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Dinosaurs, as you like them

Movie dinosaurs come in all forms. As screen characters — from Jurassic Park's terrifying T-Rexes to the cute and cuddly baby dinos of this weekend's Ice Age: The Dawn of the Dinosaurs — they are as versatile as they are extinct.

Just as varied are the methods used to bring the prehistoric behemoths to big screen life.

The first film dinosaur was a pen-and-ink creature seen in a fanciful 1908 British film called Prehistoric Man. In it a caveman sketch comes alive and threatens its creator. The artist survives by drawing a picture of a dinosaur, which also comes to life and eats the prehistoric man.

Another of the original celluloid dinosaurs was Gertie the Dinosaur. Released in 1914, the film featured 10,000 hand-drawn images to animate the tango-dancing Apatosaurus.

After Gertie, pen and ink animated dinosaurs remained popular for the next seventy years in everything from 1915's Stone Age Adventure to 1988's Land Before Time.

The word dinosaur means "fearfully-great lizard" so it makes sense that lizards have frequently subbed for their vanished cousins on celluloid.

A 1914 film called On Moonshine Mountain tried to pass off geckos as dinosaurs while 1940's One Million B.C. dressed up lizards with cardboard fins for a more "realistic" dinosaur appearance. D.W. Griffith tried for a more menacing look, using an alligator dressed up as a dino for his two-reeler Brute Force, which described the great beasts as "one of the perils of prehistoric apartment life."

"Perhaps people's fascination with prehistoric life has something to do with bridging fantasy with reality."
Ray Harryhausen

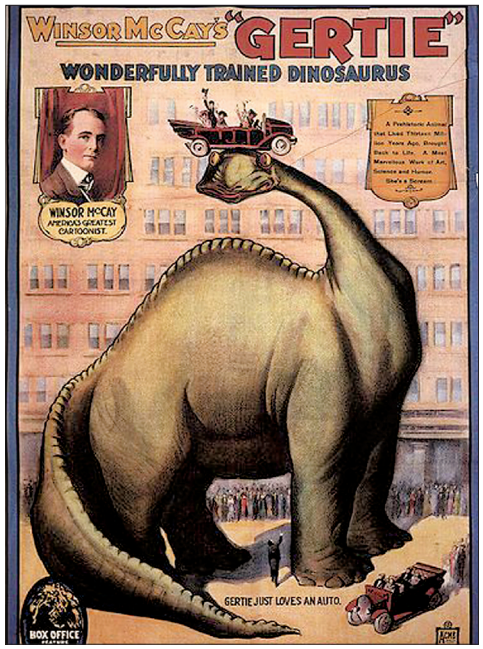
Other methods of crafting on-screen dinos include the old "man in a rubber suit" trick (pioneered by cheapo producer Roger Corman in Voyage to the Prehistoric Planet but perfected by Toho Studios in the Godzilla films) and the wondrous stop motion animation of Willis O'Brien (The Lost World) and Ray Harryhausen (The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms) but the biggest and baddest show biz dinosaurs sprung from the mind of Steven Spielberg (and the computers of his animators).

Even though Jurassic Park's binary code velociraptors and triceratopses weren't biologically accurate and didn't exist during the Jurassic days (most didn't live until the Cretaceous period) they were the loudest and proudest dinos the movies had ever seen.

Hundreds of films have featured dinosaurs and audiences never seem to tire of them, but why?

"Perhaps people's fascination with prehistoric life has something to do with bridging fantasy with reality," offers Harryhausen. "They are connected with the shadowy key to our mysterious origin."

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the E! Channel; mrchaos33@hotmail.com.



Gertie the Dinosaur was one of the original celluloid dinosaurs.

Finn simple family fun

Finn on The Fly
Director: Mark Jean
Stars: Ana Gasteyer, Ryan Belleville
Classification: STC
Rating:

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW A movie like Finn on the Fly shouldn't be critiqued by anyone who doesn't have children or dogs. Lucky for the filmmakers responsible, this writer has both.

Saturday Night Live veteran Ana Gasteyer stars as uber uptight, mad scientist Madelaine Madsen, whose experiments in animal morphing and DNA splicing have crazy consequences for her 11-year-old neighbour Ben and his adorable Border Collie, Finn.

When Finn accidentally ingests some of Madsen's test tube green glop, he miraculously turns into a scruffy, scratchy human being (charmingly played by comedian Ryan Belleville).

As Ben teaches his formerly furry friend to literally walk — and talk — like a man, the power hungry Dr. Madsen tries everything in her power to capture the mutated mutt for experimental purposes. Much mild melodrama, slapstick shenanigans and ample poop jokes ensue.

Comedian Ryan Belleville bites into his role in Finn on the Fly.

Finn on the Fly is the kind of gentle, silly, "funny animal" family film that tends to get torn to shreds on review day by snooty critics expecting the heights of Pixar. But really, this harmless low-budget Canadian tax grabber has no aspirations to be anything except a romp, exploiting it's target audience's passion for their pooches to fine effect.

The final reel rides a wee bit off the rails but otherwise the pups are cute, the performances are entertaining and the central sci-fi conceit is believable enough on its own terms that most parents should find it all to be a rather painless, pleasant pill to swallow.

And hey, my kid loved every minute of it. In a film of this, um, pedigree, that's really the only critic that counts.

Asteroids coming
Universal has announced plans to turn the classic arcade shoot-'em-up game Asteroids into a big-budget movie. In the game a lone spaceship defends Earth from big bulky rocks. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Ono owns Lennon film, judge rules

COPYRIGHT A federal judge in Boston says Yoko Ono is the rightful copyright holder of rare, intimate footage showing John Lennon and his family in London in 1970.

Judge Rya Zobel refused to reinstate a copyright-infringement lawsuit filed by a Lawrence, Massachusetts-based company that says it owns the videotapes.

World Wide Video LLC accuses Ono of interfering with its right to use the material. The company says it bought the footage from the man who filmed it, Ono's ex-husband Anthony Cox.

Lennon's widow says she had an agreement with Cox that the tapes would never be used commercially. She says she bought all rights to them from a broker in 2002.

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Stiles to make Broadway debut

STAGE Julia Stiles will make her Broadway debut in a revival of David Mamet's Oleanna, opening Oct. 11 at the Golden Theater in New York. Stiles will play a student and Bill Pullman will play a college professor in the production.

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Jude Law takes on Hamlet role

THEATRE Jude Law will play Shakespeare's melancholy Dane on Broadway this fall. The 36-year-old British actor will star in Hamlet, opening Oct. 6 at the Broadhurst Theatre in New York.

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Paolo Sorrentino directs Il Divo, a film on former Italian prime minister Giulio Andreotti.

A politician's life

Italian legend Andreotti subject of film

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Giulio Andreotti may have been elected Italy's prime minister seven times over and he may have fraternized with the world's most notorious Mafia, but there is one seemingly innocuous item that the tough political figure can't handle: his own biopic, Il Divo.

"(He) was upset about the film and it's unusual because he's usually quiet," admitted writer/director Paolo Sorrentino during last year's Toronto International Film Festival. Referring to the well-documented report that 90-year-old Andreotti walked out of a screening of Il Divo, Sorrentino concedes he wasn't shocked. "The power of the cinema is to move the emotions of the people."

In theatres next Friday, Il Divo is a stylish-but-scathing indictment on Andreotti and specifically his ties to the Mafia. But as critical as the film is, it can't ignore the far-reaching effects of Andreotti's presence in Italy either.

"I think (he's had) too much (influence)," said Sorrentino, pointing out that even in spite of the disbanding of Andreotti's Christian Democratic party, "now things are different but not so different."

Il Divo hits theatres next week

Il Divo isn't all pensive either. By casting Toni Servillo (Gomorrah) as the fascinating politician, Sorrentino captures the humorous eccentricities of the character — a perpetual hunched-back slouch and deadpan face. The compelling performance is particularly highlighted by a recurring comical scene in which Andreotti comes face-to-face with a house cat.

"I like always in films when man meets animal. It's always a symbolic moment," said Sorrentino, adding that a cat actually lived in the offices of the head of state.

"I thought it was interesting that Andreotti would meet this cat and (imagined it) as a sort of duel like in a cowboy movie. It's like a Sergio Leone film."

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DOWNTOWN

BLOOR THEATRE
506 Bloor St., 416-516-2330

Act of God (STC) Fri 7 Sat 5 Sun 7 Mon 4:30
Baraka (STC) Wed 6:45 Thu 4:30
Blue Velvet (STC) Sat 9:30 Thu 9:30
Eraserhead (STC) Sat 6:45 Thu 6:45
H2Oil (STC) Mon 7
Jurassic Park (PG) Fri 9:30 Tue 9:30
Land of the Lost (PG) Sat 2:45 Sun 2:15
Manhattan (STC) Sun 4:30 Mon 9:30 Tue 4:15
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) Fri 4:30
Repo! The Genetic Opera (18A) Wed 9:30
Tokyo! (14A) Tue 6:20 Wed 4:20

CARLTON
20 Carlton St., 416-598-2309

The Brothers Bloom (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:15-7:9:40
Departures (Japanese w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:30
Easy Virtue (PG) Fri-Thu 2:10-4:40-6:45-9:10
Empties (Czech w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 2-4:30-7:10-9:20
Every Little Step (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4-6:40-9:15
Little Ashes (18A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:25-6:55-9:25
Lymelife (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:45
O'Horten (Norwegian w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:30-10
Victoria Day (STC) Fri-Thu 2:05-4:35-7:20-9:50

CUMBERLAND CINEMAS
159 Cumberland Ave., 416-646-0444

Chéri (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-6:45-9:10
Food, Inc. (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-9:30
Moon (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:30-7:15-9:45
Summer Hours (French w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:30-10

SCOTIABANK THEATRE
259 Richmond St., 416-368-5600

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Tue 1:40-4:50-8:20 Wed 12:45-8:20 Thu 1:40-4:50-8:20
Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-8:10:40 Fri-Wed 12:20-3:10-6:40-9:40 Thu 12:20-3:10-10
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Wed 1-3:40-6:20 No Passes Thu 1-3:40
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:20-12:10-1:50-2:30-4:20-5-6:50-7:30-9:30-10 No Passes Sun-Tue 11:40-12:10-1:50-2:30-4:20-5-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:10 No Passes Wed 11:40-12:10-1:50-2:30-4:20-5-6:50-7:40-9:40-10:10 No Passes Thu 11:40-12:10-1:50-2:30-4:20-5-6:50-7:40-9:30-10:10
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Sat 12:50-3:20-7:20-10:20 Sun-Thu 12:50-3:20-7:20-10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1:30-4:40-7:50-11:10 No Passes Sun-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:50-10:50 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:40-3:50-7-10:10 No Passes Sun-Thu 12:40-3:50-7:10-10:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:30-12-3-3:30-6:30-7:10-9:50-10:30 No Passes Sun-Wed 11:30-12:30-3-4-6:30-7:30-9:50-10:50 No Passes Thu 11:30 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-4-7:40-9:20-11 No Passes Sun-Wed 1-4:30-8-9:20 No Passes Thu 12:30-1-4-4:30-7:30-8-9:30-10:50
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:40-2-5:20-8:40-11:55 No Passes Sun-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:15
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-8:10-10:50

MARKET SQUARE
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

The Hangover (14A) Fri 1:10-4-6:45-9:15-11:30 Sat-Mon 1:10-4-6:45-9:15 Tue 1:10-4-6:45-9:15-11:30 Wed-Thu 1:10-4-6:45-9:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri 12:40-2:50-5-7:10-9:10-11:30 Sat-Mon 12:40-2:50-5-7:10-9:10 Tue 12:40-2:50-5-7:10-9:10-11:30 Wed-Thu 12:40-2:50-5-7:10-9:10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri 1-4:10-7-9:25-11:40 Sat-Mon 1-4:10-7-9:25 Tue 1-4:10-7-9:25-11:40 Wed 1-4:10-7-9:25 Thu 4:10-7-9:25 Thu 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri 1:15-3:50-6:50-9-11:20 Sat-Mon 1:15-3:50-6:50-9 Tue 1:15-3:50-6:50-9-11:20 Wed-Thu 1:15-3:50-6:50-9
Public Enemies (14A) Fri 12:45-3:40-6:40-9:35-12:20 Sat-Thu 12:45-3:40-6:40-9:35
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Fri 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30-12:15 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30

THE ROYAL
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Empty Nest (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30-9:15 Mon-Tue 9:15 Wed-Thu 7
Tokyo Sonata (PG) Sat 4:30-9 Sun 2-7 Mon-Tue 7 Wed-Thu 9

VARSITY
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

Away We Go (14A) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:10-7:10-9:40 Thu 1:30-4:10-7:10 Fri-Thu 1:25-3:45-7:05-9:15
The Girlfriend Experience (14A) Fri-Tue 1:10-3:20-5:20-7:30-10 Wed 1:10-3:20 Thu 1:10-3:20-5:20-7:30-10
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-6:30-9:50
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:40-7:05-10:30 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:05-3:05-6:45-9:55
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Wed 12:20-3:10-6:20 Thu 12:20-3:10
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 9:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:20 No Passes Fri-Wed 12:15-3:25-6:35-9:45 No Passes Thu 12:15-3:25-9:45
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-4-6:50-9:20
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:30-4:50-7:20-10:10 Fri-Thu 12:35-2:55-5:15-7:35-9:35

CANADA SQUARE
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri 4:05-7:15-10 Sat-Sun 1-4:05-7:15-10 Mon-Thu 4:05-7:15-10
Imagine That (G) Fri 4:40 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:40 Mon-Thu 4:40
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri 4:20-6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:05-4:20-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:20-6:40-9:10
My Life in Ruins (PG) Fri 4:10-6:30-9 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:30-9
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri 4:30-6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:30-6:50-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:50-9:20
Star Trek (PG) Fri 4-7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 4-7:10-9:50
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri 4:45-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:45-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:20-9:45
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri-Thu 7:05-9:55
Year One (14A) Fri 4:50-7:25-9:35 Sat-Sun 2-4:50-7:25-9:35 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:25-9:35

MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

The Brothers Bloom (PG) Fri-Sat 9:30 Sun 7 Thu 7
Everlasting Moments (STC) Fri-Sat 6:50 Sun 4:15 Tue-Wed 7 Thu 9:10

REGENT THEATRE
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

Easy Virtue (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30 Tue-Thu 7
Gomorrah (14A) Fri-Sat 9 Sun 7 Thu 9

YONGE-EGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7:40-10:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:3:40-6:20-9
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-2:30-5-7:30-10:10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Tue 12:20-3:50-6:50-9:40 Wed 3:50-6:50-9:40 Thu 12:20-3:50-6:50-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4-7:25-9:55
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-3:15-7:20-10:20
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-3-6:30-10 No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:10-6:45-9:50

YONGE & DUNDAS 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

Away We Go (14A) Fri-Sun 12:05-2:20-4:45-7:15-9:45 Mon 2:20-4:45-7:15-9:45 Tue 2:20-10:05 Wed-Thu 2:20-4:45-7:15-9:45
Brüno (18A) Special Engagement Thu 12:01 (midnight)
Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri-Thu 12:35-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:10
Imagine That (G) Fri-Sun 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:35-10:05
Kambakkht Ishq (14A) Fri-Sun 12:15-3:30-6:45-9:55 Mon-Thu 1:30-5-8:30
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-2:55-5:20-7:45-10:15
Moon (14A) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:35-5:15-7:50-10:20 Mon-Thu 1:45-5:15-7:50-10:20
My Life in Ruins (PG) Fri-Sun 11:20-1:50-4:25-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:25-7-9:40
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Sun 11:10-12-12:40-1:40-2:40-3:25-4:25-5:25-6:10-7:10-8:10-9:05-10:05-10:45 Mon 12:40-1:40-2:40-3:25-4:25-5:25-6:10-7:10-8:10-9:05-10:05 Tue 12:40-1:40-2:40-3:25-4:25-5:25-6:10-7:10-8:10-9:05-10:05 Wed 12:40-1:40-2:40-3:25-4:25-5:25-6:10-7:10-8:10-9:05-10:05-10:45 Thu 12:40-1:40-2:40-3:25-4:25-5:25-6:10-7:10-8:10-9:05-10:05
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Sun 10:55-12:20-1:40-3:10-4:20-6:20-7:20-9:20-10:20 Mon-Thu 1:40-3:10-4:20-6:20-7:20-9:20-10:20
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Sun 11-12:30-1:20-3-4-5:40-6:40-8:20-9:20-10:45 Mon-Thu 12:30-1:20-3-4-5:40-6:40-8:20-9:20-10:45 Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:30-10
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:35-7:25-10:25
Up (PG) Fri-Sun 11-12:30-2-3:30-5-6:30-8-9:30-10:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-2-3:30-5-6:30-8-9:30-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Digital Fri-Sun 11-11:30-12-1-1:30-2:30-3-4-4:30-5:30-6-7-7:30-8:30-9-10-10:30 Digital Mon-Thu 1-1:30-2:30-3-4-4:30-5:30-6-7-7:30-8:30-9-10-10:30
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:15-4:55-7:25-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:55-7:25-9:50
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG) Fri-Sun 11:10-2:05-4:35-7:20-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:35-7:20-9:55

WEST END

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

Kambakkht Ishq (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri 3-6-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:45-6-9:15 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30
New York (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri 3-6:15-9:30 Sat-Sun 12-3-6:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 3-6:15-9:30

QUEENSWAY
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Thu 6:15-9:35
Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 2:05-4:55-7:55-10:45
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:05-3:40-6:30-9
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-2-2:30-4:30-5-7:05-7:30-9:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:20-10:15
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:10
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:45-10:40
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:05-12:40-3:35-4:10-7:10-7:25-10:25-10:50
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Wed 11:55-3:05-6:20-9:50 Thu 11:50-3:05-10:50
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:55-9:40
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:35-12-12:30-1-3:30-4-4:35-6:35-7-7:35-8-10:10-10:30-11
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:25
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Tue 1:20-3:55-6:50-9:45 Wed 3:55-6:50-9:45 Thu 1:20-3:55-6:50-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Year One (14A) Fri-Mon 2:10-5:10-7:50-10:35 Tue 7:50-10:35 Wed-Thu 2:10-5:10-7:50-10:35

WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1-3:55-7:15-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-2:50-5-7:05-9:15
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:50-9:15
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-7:10-9:40
Public Enemies (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:45-6:45-9:35
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:35-6:40-9:45
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:50-6:45-9:05
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:05-7-9:20

EAST END

BEACH CINEMAS
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:30-10:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:45-10:40
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-3-3:30-6:30-7-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:15-6:45-9:20

FOX THEATRE
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri 9:20 Sat-Sun 9:30
Earth (G) Sat-Sun 2 Wed 1:30
Lymelife (14A) Mon-Tue 9:20
Nightwatching (18A) Wed-Thu 9:20
Star Trek (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 4-7 Mon-Thu 7

NORTH YORK

SHEPPARD GRANDE
4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri-Wed 7:40-10:15
Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
Kambakkht Ishq (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 11:50-3-6:35-9:55
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50
My Life in Ruins (PG) Fri-Wed 12:50-4-7:20-9:40 Thu 12:50-4
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:50-6:50-9:45
New York (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-7:10-10:10
Summer Hours (French w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-6:40-9:20
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:15-9:50
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1-3:20-6:30-9:10

EMPRESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

The Hangover (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:40-10:15
The Proposal (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:10-9:45
Public Enemies (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-1:30-4-4:45-7-8-10:10-11
The Taking of Pelham 123

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(14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:15-9:50
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sun 1-1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10-10:45-11:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Mon-Thu 1-1:45-2:30-3:30-4:15-5-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:15-9:15-10-10:45
Up (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-3:45-6:55-9:30

SILVERCITY YORKDALE 6
3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:40-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7:05-9:45
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:30-5-7:30-10:15
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:45-6:45-9:40
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7:10-9:55
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-3:10-6:40-10:10
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 3:20-9:15
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3-3:30-6:30-7-10-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-6:50-9:30
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-6:20

SILVERCITY FAIRVIEW
1800 Sheppard Ave. E., 416-644-7746

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:40-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:15-6:40-9:40
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:50-6:50-9:50
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-4-7:20-10:40 No Passes Sun-Thu 12:30-4-7:20-10:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-12:10-3-3:30-6:30-7:10-10-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:40-6:45-9:20

SCARBOROUGH

COLISEUM SCARBOROUGH
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:20-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:50-6:30-9:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:40-9:45
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-1:30-3:45-5-7:10-8:30-10:30
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Wed 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:40 Thu 1:10-4:05-10:40
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-12:15-1-3:10-3:40-4:30-6:35-7:05-8-10:10-10:45
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-4:50-7:35-10:05
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-6:50-9:30

EGLINTON TOWN CENTRE
1901 Eglinton Ave. E., 416-752-4494

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Thu 10:25
Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:45-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:45-4:15-6:50-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-2:20-5-7:40-10:10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Wed 1:20-4:30-7:20-10:05 Thu 4:30-7:20-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:50-7:35
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:35-7:10-9:55
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:40-3:10-4:10-6:25-7:25-9:40-10:40
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Wed 12:20-3:40-6:55-10:15 Thu 12:20-3:40
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:40-7:15-10:35
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-12:30-1-3-3:30-4-4:20-6:30-7-7:30-8-10-10:30-10:50
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:05-6:45-9:20
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-6:40-9:10

401 & MORNINGSIDE
785 Milner Ave., 416-281-2226

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:50-7:50-10:45
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-1-2:40-3:40-5-6-7:30-8:45-9:40
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3-6:20-9
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:40-7:20-9:45
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:40-10:15-10:40
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 3:30-9:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:30-3:20-3:50-6:40-7:10-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-6:50-9:15
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-6:10

KENNEDY COMMONS 20
33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri 3:55-6:55-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:55-3:55-6:55-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:55-6:55-9:50
The Brothers Bloom (PG) Fri 2:10-4:55-7:25-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:10-4:55-7:25-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:55-7:25-10:10
Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri 2:50-5:20-7:40-10 Sat-Sun 12:25-2:50-5:20-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:20-7:40-10
Easy Virtue (PG) Fri 2:55-5:20-7:30-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:45-2:55-5:20-7:30-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:20-7:30-9:55
Finn on the Fly (PG) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri 3:10-5:30-7:50-10:15 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:50-3:10-5:30-7:50-10:15 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3:10-5:30-7:50-10:15
Imagine That (G) Fri 2-4:30-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 2-4:30-7-9:30
Kambakkht Ishq (14A) Special Engagement Fri 3:30-6:40-9:50 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:40-9:50 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3:30-6:40-9:50
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri 3:15-5:35-7:55-10:20 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:15-5:35-7:55-10:20 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:35-7:55-10:20
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri 2:40-4:25-5:10-6:55-7:40-9:25-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:25-12:10-1:55-2:40-4:25-5:10-6:55-7:40-9:25-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:40-4:25-5:10-6:55-7:40-9:25-10:10
The Proposal (PG) Fri 2-2:45-4:30-5:15-7:7:45-9:30-10:20 Sat-Sun 11:30-12:15-2-2:45-4:30-5:15-7:7:45-9:30-10:20 Mon-Thu 2-2:45-4:30-5:15-7-7:45-9:30-10:20
The Soloist (PG) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:20-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:20-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:20-9:55
Star Trek (PG) Fri 2:05-3-4-5-6-7:05-8-9-10 Sat-Sun 11-12-1-2:05-3-4-5-6-7:05-8-9-10 Mon-Thu 2:05-3-4-5-6-7:05-8-9-10
State of Play (PG) Fri 4:05-6:50-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:50-9:45
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri 2:15-4:55-7:30-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:15-4:55-7:30-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:55-7:30-10:05
Whatever Works (14A) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri 3:30-5:45-8-10:15 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11-1:15-3:30-5:45-8-10:15 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Mon-Thu 3:30-5:45-8-10:15
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG) Fri 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:35-5:05-7:35-10:05

WOODSIDE CINEMAS
1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

Kambakkht Ishq (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri 3-6-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:45-6-9:15 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:30
New York (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri 3-6:15-9:30 Sat-Sun 12-3-6:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 3-6:15-9:30

PEEL REGION

CINÉ STARZ
377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

17 Again (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-8:05
Dance Flick (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:55
Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-8:05-9:45
Earth (G) Fri-Thu 12-3:10-6:30-8
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7:15-9:50
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Fri-Thu 12-3:10-6:20
Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) Fri-Thu 12-1:35-3:10-6:30
Obsessed (14A) Fri-Thu 4:40-9:30
The Soloist (PG) Fri-Thu 5:15-9

COLISEUM 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-3:20-5:10-7:50-9:15-10:40
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:20-1:50-4:20-6:50-9:30 No Passes Sun-Thu 1:50-4:20-6:50-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-1-4:15-6:20-7:20-10:20
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-3:10-6:40-10:10 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:45-4:10-7:40-11:15 No Passes Sun-Thu 12:45-4:10-7:40-11
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Wed 1:15-4:50-8-10:50 Thu 1:15-4:50-10:50
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 11:30-12:10-12:30-3-3:30-4-6:30-7-7:30-10-10:30-11 No Passes Wed 11:30-12:10-3-3:30-4:20-6:30-7-7:45-10-10:30-11 No Passes Thu 11:30-12:10-12:30-3-3:30-4-6:30-7-7:30-10-10:30-11 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:40-2-5:20-8:40-11:55 No Passes Sun-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:25
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 11-1:40-4:30-7:10-9:50 Sun-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:10-9:50

COURTNEY PARK 16
110 Courtney Park Dr., 905-362-1210

Brüno (18A) Special Engagement Thu 12:01 (midnight)
The Hangover (14A) Fri 12:15-2:40-4:35-5:15-7:55-10:05-10:35 Sat-Sun 11:15-12:15-2:40-4:35-5:15-7:55-10:05-10:35 Mon 12:15-2:40-4:35-10:05-10:35 Tue-Thu 12:15-2:40-4:35-5:15-7:55-10:05-10:35
I Love You, Beth Cooper (14A) Special Engagement Thu 12:01
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2:05-2:35-4:40-5:10-7:15-7:45-9:50-10:10 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:25-11:55-2:05-2:35-4:40-5:10-7:15-7:45-9:50-10:10 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:05-2:35-4:40-5:10-7:15-7:45-9:50-10:10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:45-4:25-7:20-10:15 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:05-1:45-4:25-7:20-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:25-7:20-10:15
The Proposal (PG) Fri 1:55-2:25-5:05-7:10-7:50-10:40 Sat-Sun 11:40-1:55-2:25-5:05-7:10-7:50-10:40 Mon-Thu 1:55-2:25-5:05-7:10-7:50-10:40
Public Enemies (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 12:25-12:55-3:45-4:15-7:05-7:35-10:25-10:55
State of Play (PG) Tue-Wed 12:05-3:30
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-2:45-5:25-8:10-10:50
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Special Engagement Fri 12:05-12:30-1-2:30-3-3:30-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11-11:30 Special Engagement Sat 11-11:30-12:05-12:30-1-2:30-3-3:30-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11-11:30 Special Engagement Sun 11-11:30-12:30-1-2:30-3-3:30-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11 Mon 12:05-12:30-1-2:30-3-3:30-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11 Tue-Wed 12:30-1-2:30-3-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11 Thu 12:05-12:30-1-2:30-3-3:30-4-4:30-6-6:30-7-7:30-8-9:30-10-10:30-11
Up (PG) Fri 1:40-4:10-6:45-9:25 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:40-4:10-6:45-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:10-6:45-9:25
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:05-5:40-8:15-10:45

GATEWAY 6 BRAMPTON
5 Gateway Blvd., 416-444-3456

ORION GATE GRANDE
20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:35-7:25-10:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:20-1:55-3:20-4:20-6:15-6:55-9:10-9:40
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Tue 1-4-6:45-9:20 Wed 4-6:45-9:20 Thu 1-4-6:45-9:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:50-7-9:35
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:55-3:10-6:35-9:50
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-7:15-9:55
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:05-3-3:30-6:25-7:05-10:05-10:35
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:35-10:25

SILVERCITY MISSISSAUGA
3055 Vega Blvd., 905-569-3373

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1-2-3:40-4:30-6:30-7-9-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-4:10-7:10-9:50
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-3:50-6:45-9:20
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-6:40-7:20-9:10-10:05
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:50-7:40-10:10
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-4-6:50-9:40
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:40-7:40-10:10

SQUARE ONE
100 City Centre Dr., 905-275-2640

Angels & Demons (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:20-10:20
Imagine That (G) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:40-4:20
Kambakkht Ishq (14A) Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Fri-Thu 1-2:10-4:40-5:30-8-9
Land of the Lost (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:30-5:15-7:50
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-2-4-4:50-6:40-7:30-9:30-10:10
Star Trek (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 7-9:50
Terminator Salvation (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 10:15
Whatever Works (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:10-9:40
Year One (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:30-2:20-4:10-5-6:50-7:40-9:20-10

NORTH

5 DRIVE-IN
2331 Ninth Line, 905-257-8272

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Thu 9:45

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen, the sequel to Michael Bay's 2007 international mega-hit Transformers, is in theatres now.

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Land of the Lost (PG) Fri-Sat 9:50 Sun-Thu 12:25
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 11:35
Public Enemies (14A) Fri-Sat 11:50 Sun-Thu 9:50
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Sat 9:40 Sun-Thu 12:20
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Fri-Sat 12 Sun-Thu 9:30

AURORA CINEMAS
15460 Bayview Ave., 905-841-1789

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 2-5-7:40-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-12:30-2:15-3:40-4:45-6:20-7:15-9-9:45
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Wed 1:20-4:20-7:10-9:50 Thu 4:20-7:10-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4:30 Thu 1:20-4:30
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4:10-7:20-10:10 Thu 12:50-4:10-7:20-10:10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-3:15-6:40-10:15
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3-3:30-6:30-7-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-4-6:50-9:30
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 7:30-9:55

COLOSSUS 19
3555 Hwy 7 West, 905-851-1001

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:50-10:15
Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri-Sat 2-5-7:50-11:15 Sun-Thu 2-5-7:50-10:25
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:40-2:10-4:40-5:10-7:40-8:10-10:20-10:50
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:10-6:20-9
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:50-12:25-12:55-3:15-3:50-4:20-6:45-7:15-7:45-10:10-10:50-11:20 No Passes Sun-Thu 11:50-12:25-12:55-3:15-3:50-4:30-6:45-7:15-8:30-10:10-10:50
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:20-10:45
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:50-6:45-9:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:30-12-12:30-1-3-3:30-4-4:30-6:30-7-7:30-8-10-10:30-11-11:30 No Passes Sun-Thu 11:30-12-12:30-1-3-3:30-4-4:30-6:30-7-7:30-9-10-10:30-11
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen: The IMAX Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:40-2-5:20-8:40-11:55 No Passes Sun-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:15
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 11:45-12:50-3:20-4:10-6:40-7:10-9:10-9:40
Whatever Works (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:40
Year One (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:20-7:15-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:15-9:50

ELGIN MILLS 10
10909 Yonge St., 905-770-6998

The Hangover (14A) DTS Stereo Fri-Thu 1:30-4:50-7:40-10:10
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) DTS Stereo, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-1:20-3:20-4:30-6:30-7:20-9:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) DTS Stereo, No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-4:10-6:50-9:20 DTS Stereo Mon-Thu 12:30-4:10-6:50-9:20
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) DTS Stereo Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40
The Proposal (PG) DTS Stereo Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:50
Public Enemies (14A) DTS Stereo, No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-3:50-7:15-10:30
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) DTS Stereo Fri-Thu 9:10
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) DTS Stereo, No Passes Fri 12-12:50-3:30-4:20-6:50-8-10:20 DTS Stereo Sat-Thu 12-12:50-3:30-4:20-6:50-8-10:20
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:40-7:10-9:40

FIRST MARKHAM PLACE
3275 Hwy 7 E., 905-474-5101

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:30-10:10
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-12:15-2:15-2:45-4:45-5:15-7:15-7:45-9:45-10:15
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:20-6:50-9:30
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:55-7:10-9:50
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:45-7:05-10:20
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 4:10-9:40
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12-3-3:30-6:30-7-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:10-6:45-9:20
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-6:55

INTERCHANGE 30
30 Interchange Way, 905-760-1911

17 Again (PG) Fri 1:40-4:10-7:05-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:40-4:10-7:05-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:05-9:50
The Brothers Bloom (PG) Fri 1:45-4:20-7:35-10:10 Sat 11:15-1:45-4:20-7:35-10:10 Sun 11:15-1:45-4:20-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:35-10:05
Crank: High Voltage (18A) Fri 2:25-4:50-7:35-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:25-4:50-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:25-4:50-7:35-9:55
Earth (G) Fri 2:35-4:40-6:55-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:35-4:40-6:55-9:10 Mon-Thu 2:35-4:40-6:55-9:10
Easy Virtue (PG) Fri 2:15-4:35-7:15-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:15-4:35-7:15-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:35-7:15-9:40
Fighting (STC) Fri 1:25-4:10-6:40-9:05 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:25-4:10-6:40-9:05 Mon-Wed 4:10-6:40-9:05 Thu 4:10-6:40
Finn on the Fly (PG) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:25-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:25-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:25-10:05
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (14A) Fri 2:20-5:10-7:50-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:20-5:10-7:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:20-5:10-7:50-10:10
Hannah Montana: The Movie (G) Fri 2:25-4:55-7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 11:55-2:25-4:55-7:10-9:35 Mon-Thu 2:25-4:55-7:10-9:35
I Love You, Man (14A) Fri 1:55-4:25-6:50-9:25 Sat-Sun 11:20-1:55-4:25-6:50-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:25-6:50-9:25
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri 1:45-2:45-3:15-4:15-5:15-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:30 Sat 11:15-12:15-12:45-1:45-2:45-3:15-4:15-5:15-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:15-9:15-10:15-10:30 Sun 11:15-12:15-12:45-1:45-2:45-3:15-4:15-5:15-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:15-9:15-10-10:15 Mon-Thu 2-2:45-3:15-4:15-5:15-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:15-9:15-10-10:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) Digital Fri 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45 Digital Sat-Sun 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45 Digital Mon-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45
Imagine That (G) Fri 1:25-3:55-6:30-8:50 Sat-Sun 1:25-3:55-6:30-8:50-10:55 Mon-Wed 3:55-6:30-8:50 Thu 3:55-6:30
Kambakkht Ishq (14A) Fri 3:15-6:35-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:50-3:15-6:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:15-6:35-9:55
Knowing (14A) Fri 3:45-6:25-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:3:45-6:25-9:10 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:25-9:10
Land of the Lost (PG) Fri 1:35-4:05-6:35-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:35-4:05-6:35-9:15 Mon-Wed 4:05-6:35-9:15 Thu 4:05-6:35
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri 1:30-2:30-4:5-6:45-7:45-9:30-10:25 Sat 11:11:45-1:30-2:30-4:5-6:45-7:45-9:30-10:25 Sun 11-11:45-1:30-2:30-4:5-6:45-7:45-9:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:30-4:5-6:45-7:45-9:30-10:15
Obsessed (14A) Fri 2:05-4:50-7:20-10 Sat-Sun 11:25-2:05-4:50-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:50-7:20-10
The Proposal (PG) Fri 1:30-2-3:30-4:15-4:45-6:15-7:7:30-9-9:45-10:15 Sat 11-11:30-1-1:30-2-3:30-4:15-4:45-6:15-7:7:30-9-9:45-10:15 Sun 11-11:30-1-1:30-2-3:30-4:15-4:45-6:15-7:7:30-9-9:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 2-3:30-4:15-4:45-6:15-7:7:30-9-9:45-10:10
The Soloist (PG) Fri 3:30-6:15-8:55 Sat-Sun 12:45-3:30-6:15-8:55 Mon-Wed 3:30-6:15-8:55 Thu 3:30-6:15
State of Play (PG) Fri 4:05-6:50-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:05-6:50-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:50-9:50
Taken (14A) Fri 2:55-5:10-7:25-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:55-5:10-7:25-9:40 Mon-Thu 2:55-5:10-7:25-9:40
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri 1:35-2:30-3-4-5-5:30-6:30-7:30-8-9-10-10:30 Sat 10:55-12:05-12:30-1:35-2:30-3-4-5-5:30-6:30-7:30-8-9-10-10:30 Sun 10:55-12:05-12:30-1:35-2:30-3-4-5-5:30-6:30-7:30-7:55-9-10-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:30-3-4-5-5:30-6:30-7:30-7:55-9-10-10:15

PROMENADE MALL
1 Promenade Circle, 416-494-9371

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:10-9:35
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:45-5:7:15-9:15
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:05-9:25
Public Enemies (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:05-6:55-9:35
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:45
Up (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:45-7-9:10 Mon 3:45-7-9:10 Tue-Thu 1:10-3:45-7-9:10 Mon 1

SILVERCITY NEWMARKET
18151 Yonge St., 905-953-2792

Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 2:10-5:10-8-10:40
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7:10-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:40-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-6:50-9:40
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:20-9:20
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-12:50-3:10-4:10-6:40-7:20-10:10-10:50
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:50-10:20
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:40-12:10-3-3:30-6:30-7-9:50-10:30 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-4-7:30-11
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:45-9:10
Year One (14A) Fri-Wed 2:20-5:20-8:10-10:55 Thu 2:20-5:20-10:55

SILVERCITY RICHMOND HILL
8771 Yonge St., 905-709-3199

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Wed 6:55-10:05 Thu 10:45
Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Sat 1:10-4:10-8-10:40 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:10-8-10:25
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2-4:30-7-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Wed 12:20-3:50-7:15-10:15 Thu 3:50-7:15-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:35-7:20-10:10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-3:15-7:10-10:30 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:15-3:45-7:40-11 No Passes Sun-Thu 12:15-3:45-7:40
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Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:30-12-12:30-3-3:30-4-6:30-7-7:30-10-10:30-11 No Passes Sun-Thu 11:30-12-12:30-3-3:30-4-6:30-7-7:30-10-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:45-9:20
Year One (14A) Fri-Sat 2-4:50-7:50-10:50 Sun-Thu 2-4:50-7:50-10:15

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SILVERCITY BURLINGTON 8
1250 Brant St., 416-646-0444

Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:15
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-6:45-9:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Tue 1-4:05-7:05-10 Wed 4:05-7:05-10 Thu 1-4:05-7:05-10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:50-10:15
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4-7:30-10:30 Thu 1-4-7:30
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-12:10-3:20-3:40-6:50-7:10-10:20-10:40
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:30
Year One (14A) Fri-Wed 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:05 Thu 1:15-4:15-10:05

SILVERCITY OAKVILLE CINEMAS
3531 Wyecroft Road, 905 827-7173

Forever Plaid (STC) Thu 8
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:30-7:15-9:55
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-9:50
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-4:15-7:45-10:30
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Tue 12:40-4:20-6:55-9:40 Wed 4:20-6:55-9:40 Thu 12:40-4:20-6:55-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Wed 12:20-3:40-6:50-10:30 No Passes Thu 12:20-3:40-6:50-10:30 No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:45-7:15-10:45
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 3:50-9:20
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-7:10-10:35 No Passes Fri-Wed 11:30-2:50-6:30-10 No Passes Thu 11:30-2:50-10 No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-3:15-6:45-10:15
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:05-9:45
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-6:40

SILVERCITY BRAMPTON
50 Great Lakes, 905-789-6797

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:50-10:50
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-3:50-6:40-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:40-10:10
Kambakkht Ishq (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:40-7:10-10:40
Munde U.K. De (Punjabi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:45-9
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:15-7:15-10:15
New York (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:50-6:20-9:40
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:10-6:10-9:10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:50-12:40-3:20-4:10-6:50-7:35-10:20-11
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:45
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:30-3-4-6:30-7:30-10-11 No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:30
Up in Disney Digital 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:15-6:15-9:20

WINSTON CHURCHILL
2081 Winston Park Dr. Oakville, 905-829-2009

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Sun 10:05-1:05-4:15-7:15-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:05-4:15-7:15-10:25
Brüno (18A) Special Engagement Thu 12:01 (midnight)
Drag Me to Hell (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-5:40-10:25
Easy Virtue (PG) Fri-Sun 10:30-12:50-3:05-5:25-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 12:50-3:05-5:25-7:45-10:05
Ghosts of Girlfriends Past (14A) Fri-Sun 10:10-3:05-7:55 Mon-Thu 3:05-7:55
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Sat 10:45-11:35-12:15-1:15-2-3:10-4-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:25-9:30-10:15-10:45-12 Sun 10:45-11:35-12:15-1:15-2-3:10-4-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:25-9:30-10:15-10:45 Mon-Wed 12:15-1:15-2-3:10-4-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:25-9:30-10:15-10:45 Thu 12:15-1:15-2-3:10-4-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:30-8:25-9:30-10:15-10:45-12
Kambakkht Ishq (14A) Sub-Titled Fri-Sat 10:40-1:55-5:05-8:20-11:30 Sub-Titled Sun 10:40-1:55-5:05-8:20 Sub-Titled Mon-Wed 1:55-5:05-8:20 Sub-Titled Thu 1:55-5:05-8:20-11:30
My Life in Ruins (PG) Fri-Thu 2:40-7:40
New York (14A) Sub-Titled Fri-Sat 10-1:30-5-8:30-11:45 Sub-Titled Sun 10-1:30-5-8:30 Sub-Titled Mon-Wed 1:30-5-8:30 Sub-Titled Thu 1:30-5-8:30-11:45
Public Enemies (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 10-11-11:45-12:30-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11-11:45 Special Engagement Sun 10-11-11:45-12:30-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11 Special Engagement Mon-Wed 12:30-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11 Special Engagement Thu 12:30-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-11-11:45
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Sun 10:10-1-4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon-Thu 1-4:10-7:10-10:10
Terminator Salvation (14A) Fri-Sun 10:35-1:10-4-7:05-9:50 Mon-Thu 1:10-4-7:05-9:50
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sat 10:15-10:50-12-12:35-1:10-1:45-2:20-3:30-4:05-4:40-5:15-5:50-7-7:35-8:10-8:45-9:20-10:30-11:05-11:40 Special Engagement Sun 10:15-10:50-12-12:35-1:10-1:45-2:20-3:30-4:05-4:40-5:15-5:50-7-7:35-8:10-8:45-9:20-10:30-11:05 Mon-Wed 12-12:35-1:10-1:45-2:20-3:30-4:05-4:40-5:15-5:50-7-7:35-8:10-8:45-9:20-10:30-11:05 Thu 12-12:35-1:10-1:45-2:20-3:30-4:05-4:40-5:15-5:50-7-7:35-8:10-8:45-9:20-10:30-11:05-11:40 Fri-Sun 11:25-2:55-6:25-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:55-6:25-9:55
X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-5:10
Year One (14A) Fri-Sun 11:30-12:30-2:15-3-4:40-5:30-7:15-8-9:45-10:35 Mon-Thu 12:30-2:15-3-4:40-5:30-7:15-8-9:45-10:35

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AJAX
248 Kingston Rd. E, 905-426-7772

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-7:10-10:10
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-1:05-2:50-3:35-6:30-7-9-9:30
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Wed 1-4:10-7:15-9:50 Thu 4:10-7:15-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:35-9:45
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:45-10:15
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 4:30-10:20
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:20-3:20-3:40-6:40-7:05-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:55-9:25
Year One (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-7:35

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1355 Kingston Rd., 416-646-0444

The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-7:40-10:20
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:20-4:50-7:25-9:55
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:15-7:10-9:50
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-7:15-10:10
Public Enemies (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:50-10:05
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-12:20-3:20-3:40-6:40-7:05-10-10:30
Up (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:20-10:15

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75 Consumers Dr., 905-665-7210

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Sun 10:10-1:20-4:30-7:40-10:35 Mon-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:40-10:35
The Hangover (14A) Fri-Sun 11:20-12-1-2:10-2:35-4:45-5:15-5:45-7:10-8-9:30-10:25-10:45 Mon-Thu 12-1-2:10-2:35-4:45-5:15-5:45-7:10-8-9:30-10:25-10:45
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) Fri-Sat 11:30-1-2-3:30-4:30-6-7-8:30-9:30-11 Sun 11:30-1-2-3:30-4:30-6-7-8:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 1-2-3:30-4:30-6-7-8:30-9:30
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) Digital Fri-Sun 11-1:30-4-6:30-9 Digital Mon-Thu 1:30-4-6:30-9
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri-Sun 10-11:30-12:30-2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:20-10-10:45 Mon-Thu 12:30-2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:20-10-10:45
Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:20-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:20-5-7:30-10
The Proposal (PG) Fri-Sun 11:40-12:10-2:10-2:40-3:15-4:40-5:10-7:10-7:40-8:15-9:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 12:10-2:10-2:40-3:15-4:40-5:10-7:10-7:40-8:15-9:40-10:15
Public Enemies (14A) Fri-Sat 10-10:30-12:30-1:15-1:45-3:45-4:30-5-7-7:45-8:15-11 Sun 10-10:30-12:30-1:15-1:45-3:45-4:30-5-7-7:45-8:15 Mon-Thu 12:30-1:15-1:45-3:45-4:30-5-7-7:45-8:15
Star Trek (PG) Fri-Sun 11-1:50-4:50-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:30
The Taking of Pelham 123 (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:15-5:45-8:20-10:45
The Tale of Despereaux (G) Wed 10
Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG) Fri-Sat 9:40-10-10:45-11:45-12:30-12:55-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:10-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:25-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-10:40-11 Sun 9:40-10-10:45-11:45-12:30-12:55-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:10-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:25-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-10:40 Mon-Thu 12:30-12:55-1:15-2-3-3:45-4:10-4:30-5:15-6:15-7-7:25-7:45-8:30-9:30-10:15-10:40
Up (PG) Fri-Sun 11:50-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:10-7:50-10:30
Year One (14A) Fri-Sun 10:20-12:50-3:15-5:40-8:10-10:30 Mon-Thu 12:50-3:15-5:40-8:10-10:30

Billboard's top albums
1. Lines, Vines and Trying Times, Jonas Brothers; **2.** The E.N.D., The Black Eyed Peas; **3.** Big Whiskey and the GrooGrux King, Dave Band Matthews Band; **4.** Relapse, Eminem. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Metro recommends

• Guns Don't Kill People ... Lazers Do, Major Lazer: Fun-filled fusion of dancehall and reggae with house beats, zany samples and all-star Caribbean vocalists.

• Farm, Dinosaur Jr.: Dino Jr.'s trademark mix of searing, fuzzy guitar alt-rock is infused with catchy pop hooks.

• Dirty King, The Cliks: Toronto-based trio adds power ballads to its passionate pop-punk sound, suiting Lucas Silveira's gender-bending vocals nicely.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Barcelona may fine U2 over noise

BANDS Barcelona authorities might fine U2 for rocking too long and loudly during rehearsals for their latest world tour, the city council said yesterday. The city said that one of its districts received a formal complaint by residents about the band playing after permitted hours and making noise.

Moby worth the wait

Artist abandons market pressures in favour of making 'private music'

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

EMI MUSIC PHOTO

Wait for Me, the new album from New York-based artist Moby, was released earlier this week.

When Moby started making music, he never anticipated his career to last more than six months.

"My dream was of having more than 10 people listen to the music that I made. More than 100 seemed absurd and presumptuous," said the 43-year-old New York musician, born Richard Melville Hall.

Twenty-four years later, he's got nine solo albums under his belt — and that's outside of earlier band stints. Moby's music has bridged the techno, ambient, electronica and rock genres and previous releases have largely shared his motivation of creating music for the ears of others.

But on his new release, Wait For Me, Moby's abandoned market pressures, making what he considers, "private music."

"It's music that only really makes sense listened to at home by yourself or with one other person," he said, likening it to creations by late English singer/songwriter Nick Drake and contemporary Wisconsin folk soloist, Bon Iver.

"When I found myself getting more involved in that world of commercial, mainstream music, half of me felt like an anthropologist because it was just so foreign," he said. "To be at an MTV awards show and be sitting between Justin Timberlake and Ludacris ... I was like, I'm sure these people are nice. I have no idea what motivates them."

What motivates Moby? Creation, chiefly, he said. He's careful not to criticize the world of commercial music, but when it boils down to art vs. commerce, he hails the prior as superior and indicates there's a problem with compromising one's artistic principles for the sake of accommodating the marketplace.

"Life is short, the marketplace is cheap and art is one of those few things that actually gives meaning to peoples' lives. I hate to see potentially great artists sacrificing their principles on the altar of commerce," he said.

That's why, to launch his first truly independent release, Moby committed what he said a friend of his dubs "commercial suicide" — releasing the album's fully instrumental first single Shot in the Back of the Head, unlikely to be played on radio, accompanied by a rather dour video illustrated and animated by nonconforming filmmaker David Lynch, even less likely to be seen on television, and giving it away for free.

"The old punk rocker in me really likes that," he said, smirking. But even though Moby boasts punk rock's anti-establishment attitude, such independence still yields private trials, which he aimed to address with Wait For Me.

"The most challenging thing is the human condition — mortality. We might not have significance, but we can have the solidarity of the fact that we're all experiencing the same thing."

Darius Rucker finds success on country charts

After 15 years of being recognized as "Hootie" from Hootie&the Blowfish, Darius Rucker was caught off guard recently while checking into a Baltimore hotel.

"It's the same hotel I stay in all the time, and there's a new clerk back there and she's looking at me and staring at me and I'm expecting 'Hey, aren't you Hootie' or 'Aren't you the guy from Hootie and the Blowfish.' And she looked at me and said, 'Aren't you Darius Rucker the country singer?'

"It really took me back," said Rucker, who at 43 looks about the same as he did belting out Only Wanna Be With You or Let Her Cry in the mid-'90s.

Rucker is getting used to being called a country singer. He's had a pair of No. 1 country singles from his CD Learn to Live — Don't Think I Don't Think About It and It Won't Be Like This For Long — and his latest, Alright, is in the top 10.

Country Music Television will air a special, Invitation Only: Darius Rucker, at 11 p.m. EDT Friday.

Rucker said he's certainly surprised by his country music success.

"There was never a full-page ad in Billboard magazine saying 'The new Darius Rucker album is coming out. Darius has gone country, and here's his first single.' There wasn't any of that. It was me in the car with a buddy driving around to 85 radio stations."

Rucker's showing is even more unlikely considering the hard time black singers have cracking the country charts. His Don't Think I Don't Think About It was the first No. 1 hit by a black artist since Ray Charles' Seven Spanish Angels duet with Willie Nelson topped the charts in 1985.

"I'm not going to change what happened in the past or anything," said the Charleston, S.C., native. "I'd like to think the reason it happened for me is the songs."

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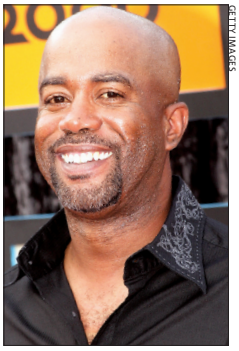

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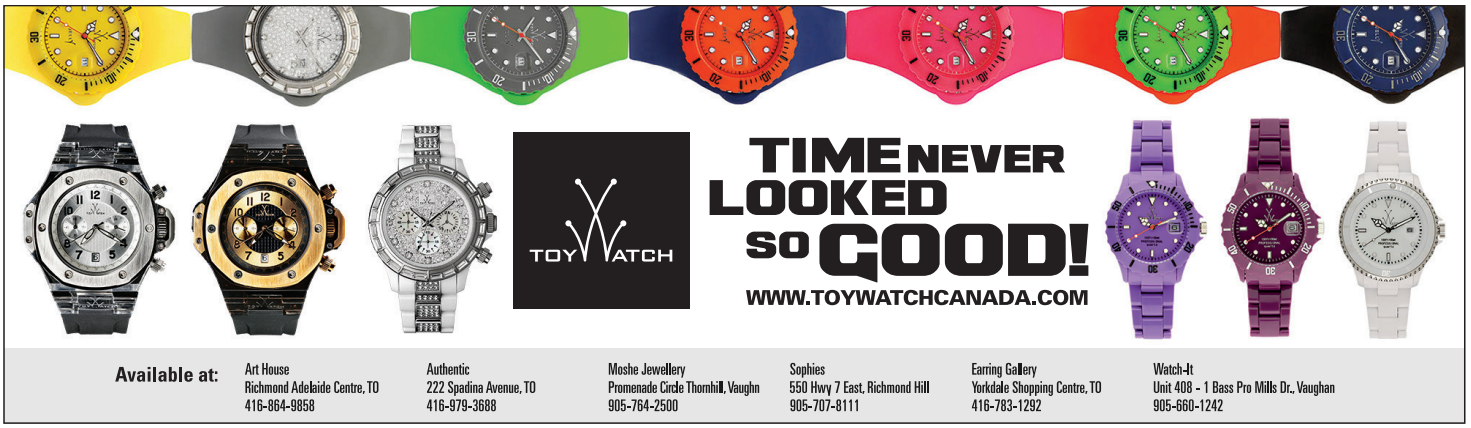

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Wilco learns to mellow out

Band brings improved outlook to new album

IAN NATHANSON
for Metro Canada

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After a few years of turbulence earlier this decade, Chicago alt-rock outfit Wilco has developed a more relaxed demeanour.

During the making of Wilco's seventh album, in stores this week, guitarist-frontman Jeff Tweedy had penned a breezy love song he felt was good enough to make into a duet.

The person Tweedy had in mind to make that duet a reality? Canadian indie-rock songstress Feist.

"Jeff was looking for a suitable female voice to go along with the song You And I, and Feist was by far his first choice," says John Stirratt, bassist and co-founder of the Chicago alt-rock sextet.

Wilco and Feist connected after meeting at the Grammy Awards this past February and months later the group invited her to its Chicago studio to record her vocals.

"We're big fans of hers and it turns out she's a fan of ours," Stirratt says. "And in just hearing the voices together, we knew this was going to be cool."

Wilco aren't strangers to duets, either. The band, along with British singer-songwriter Billy Bragg, recorded two albums' worth of unreleased Woody Guthrie material in 1998 and 2000, respectively. And months ago, a YouTube video surfaced of an in-concert duet with Fleet Foxes, covering Bob Dylan's I Shall Be Released.

The accessible duet coincides with what's become a series of marked changes for Wilco, most notably a more relaxed demeanour within the band itself.

Read Metro's review of Wilco (The Album) at metronews.ca/music

For a spell, Wilco faced some years of turbulence. In 2002, the group's fourth album Yankee Hotel Foxtrot wound up rejected by one Warner-owned record label and accepted by another, which puzzled Tweedy and company.

Tensions also surfaced between Tweedy and then-guitarist Jay Bennett, who was fired from the group after recording Yankee Hotel Foxtrot. In May, Bennett sued Tweedy breach of contract that stemmed from his contributions to Wilco, but didn't see the lawsuit through as he died unexpectedly towards month's end.

"We're dealing with his loss, but it's been tough on us all," Stirratt says.

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The addition of guitar whiz Nels Cline and Tweedy overcoming his addiction to painkillers have also contributed to the band's improved outlook.

"Jeff's always been the same kind of guy," Stirratt says. "Although now he is so grounded by family whereas before the music was his ultimate escape."

Stirratt says the choice of album cover art for Wilco (The Album) — featuring the double-humped camel next to a kiddies' table and six chairs — was meant to reflect the group's outlook.

"We originally had in mind a funny group photo, kind of like what The Who did with its Magic Bus cover," Stirratt says. "But the camel photo was more thinking outside the box – at the same time we wanted our humour to match the album title."

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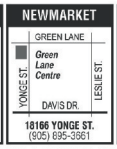

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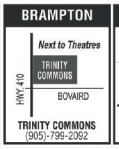

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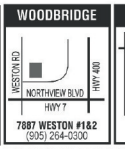

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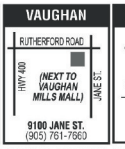

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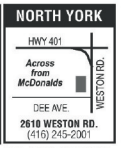

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5 great albums of '09

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Mastodon's Crack the Skye encompasses everything from czarist mystics to wormholes.

I'm not sure how this happened so soon — maybe it was the lousy spring across much of the country — but as of Tuesday, 2009 is half done. Time for a highly subjective review of what I think are some of the best albums of the year — so far, anyway — listed in the order in which they were released.

The Panics/Cruel Guards: Technically, this album isn't new at all. It was released at home in Australia in the fall of 2007, but it's only recently been released internationally. The music is soulful, dipping into Motown territory while moderating it with Coldplay's earnestness while adding just a dash of Bono. Everyone I've played the CD for has loved it. Key track: Don't Fight It.

White Lies/To Lose My Life: I found last summer's demos intriguing enough to mark Jan. 19, 2009, on my calendar as the album's official release date. When I finally heard it, I was gobsmacked at how three 20 year-olds could sound so world-weary. To say that this is a work displaying talent and a worldview beyond their years is an understatement. Key tracks: To Lose My Life, Death.

Fight Like Apes / Fight Like Apes and the Mystery of the Golden Medallion: Released at home in Ireland last fall but not issued elsewhere until January 2009, this awkwardly titled album has been on "repeat" in my iPod ever since. MayKay, the singer, sounds like she's teetering on the edge of insanity — and I mean that with all the love in the world. By the way, FLA calls their music "karate rock." Listen and you'll see why. Key track: Tie Me Up with Jackets.

Mastodon/Crack the Skye: A metal concept album released in March that encompasses everything from czarist mystics to wormholes to Stephen Hawking. What's not to like? It was especially good at rebutting a pool party last weekend where they played nothing but BeeGees for two-and-a-half hours. Six minutes of Oblivion fixed them. Key tracks: Oblivion, The Last Baron.

Spinnerette/Spinnerette: I'll admit it: I have a thing for Brody Dalle who fills that gap between Courtney Love and Karen O of the Yeah Yeah Yeahs. A pre-Christmas release of an EP called Ghetto Love hinted at some cool things and a full self-titled album — which was released just ten days ago — has me hooked. Key tracks: Baptized by Fire.

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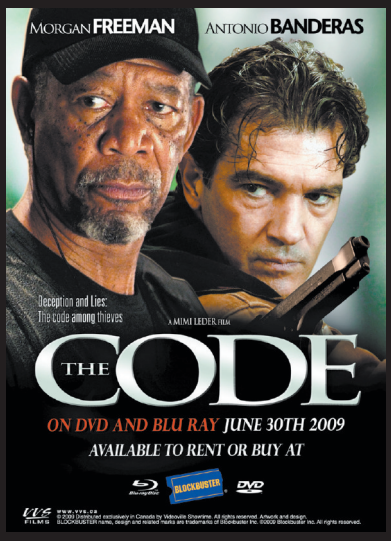

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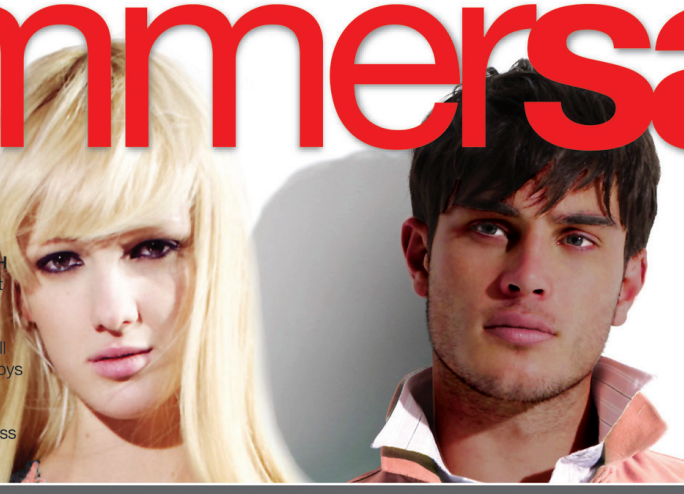

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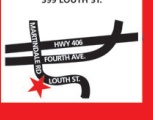

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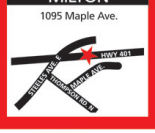

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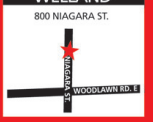

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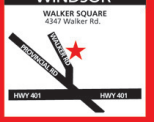

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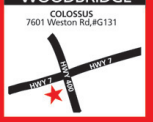

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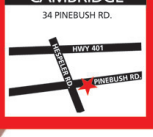

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Television

McMahon remembered fondly

At a tribute to the late sidekick of The Tonight Show, Ed McMahon was remembered as a rare individual in the entertainment industry — a man whom "100 per cent of the people liked," actor Tom Arnold said.

Arnold, who worked with McMahon on the 1997 WB sitcom The Tom Show, said he envisioned him greeting Tonight host Johnny Carson in heaven.

"Hey, Johnny, great news: I brought Farrah (Fawcett) and Michael Jackson with me. We're gonna have a hell of a show tonight," Arnold said, drawing laughs from the audience of several hundred at the Wednesday night tribute.

The ceremony at the Television Academy of Arts&Sciences featured performances of My Way and other songs, along with solemn salutes from U.S. marines in dress uniforms who presented U.S. flags to McMahon's family.

McMahon, 86, died June 23 after a long hospitalization for several health problems.

The tribute focused on his unflagging humour and spirit.

"For my dad, life was a festival, a celebratory experience," said son Jeff McMahon.

"No occasion was ever mundane."

Two oversized, framed images of McMahon decorated the stage in the auditorium. One showed the familiar business-suited TV entertainer.

The other, a portrait, depicted McMahon in a flight suit with two military planes aloft behind him.

Before the tribute, Pam McMahon choked back tears as she spoke about her husband. She stayed by his side during the five months he was hospitalized before his death.

"He really was one of the most wonderful men I ever met in my entire life," she said.

"He was such a good, good man. He was loving and kind to me and had such a pure heart."

In the army

- According to a Marine Corps Major, few knew of McMahon's military record because "he didn't flaunt it." McMahon served in the Second World War as a flight instructor and test pilot. McMahon was also in the marine reserves and the Korean War.

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Pam McMahon, wife of the late television personality Ed McMahon, speaks at a memorial service for her husband in Los Angeles on Wednesday.

Leno wins internet rights

INTERNET Television host Jay Leno has won control of a Web address using the name of his new show.

The U.N.'s World Intellectual Property Organization says current owner Guadalupe Zambrano of Katy, Texas, will have to transfer the domain name — thejaylenoshow.com — to the comedian.

The agency says Zambrano failed to demonstrate he had a legitimate reason for registering the address five years ago while Leno was still hosting The Tonight Show.

Zambrano used the site to redirect Web surfers to his real estate business.

The Jay Leno Show premieres Sept. 14 on NBC.

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FRIDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
7/3/09	265	353	2 TVO	Adventures in Architecture		The Best of The Agenda		Heartbeat		Allan Gregg	Film 101	Best-Agenda
	211	331	3 GTV	ET Canada	Ent. Tonight	The Unit "M.P.s"		Mental "Rainy Days"		NUMB3RS "Velocity"		News
	215	343	4 OMN1	Two Men	Simpsons	News (N)		Vivere V	News	Simpsons	King of Hill	Metropia
	210	302	6 CBC	Coronatn	Jeopardy! (N)	Air Farce	Laughs	Wild Roses (DVS)		CBC News: The National (N)		Stampede
	214	344	7 CITY	Law & Order: SVU		Man Tracker		Cowboys (N)		Out There	Out There	News
	212	313	8 CTV	Corner Gas	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer		Castle (HDTV)		Spectacle: Elivs		News
	218	345	11 E!	The Insider	E News	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		True Hollywood Story		20/20 (HDTV)		News
	-	387	16 CBS	Inside Edition	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer		Flashpoint (HDTV)		NUMB3RS "Velocity"		News
	-	385	17 NBC	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	The Chopping Block		Dateline NBC				News
	-	386	18 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Surviving	Goode Family	Jim	Jim	20/20 (HDTV)		News (N)
	219	346	20 ACH-B	The Road to Avonlea		*My Cousin Vinny* ★★★ (1992, Comedy) Joe Pesci.				Stargate Atlantis		News
	-	-	28 FOX	Judge Judy	Two Men	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Mental "Rainy Days"		Seinfeld	Two Men	Simpsons
	-	388	61 PBS	News-Lehrer	Summer Wine	*Gigot* ★★★ (1962, Comedy-Drama), Katherine Kath				My Health	Wash. Week	Business Rpt.
news	500	500	33 CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)		
sports	405	417	22 net	Heads-Up Poker		To Be Announced				Sportsnet Connected		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	Interruption	Premier League Poker III		CFL Pregame	CFL Football BC Lions at Saskatchewan Roughriders.				
family	551	542	25 YTV	*The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants* (2005, Comedy-Drama)					Prank Patrol	Family Biz	Adrenaline	Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45 TEL	Batman	Spider-Man	Wolverine	Justice	Futurama	(9:25) *Blade* ★★ (1998, Horror) Wesley Snipes.			
	556	540	51 FAM	Sonny	*The Thirteenth Year* (1999, Drama)			*Going to the Mat* ★★ (2004, Drama)			(10:32) *The Rookie*	
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		The Cleaner (HDTV)		Criminal
	575	583	38 CMT	Cross Canada Countdown (N)				Due South		*The Amati Girls* ★ (2001, Drama)		
	616	521	39 SHO	The Outer Limits		The Best Years "Cruising"		Kenny	Kenny	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Webdreams
	294	529	47 TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	House-Payne	House-Payne	*I Am Sam* ★★ (2001, Drama) Sean Penn, Michelle Pfeiffer.				
	581	566	52 MTV	MTV	MTV News	Canada's Next Top Model		The Real World		True Love	The X Effect	MTV Live
	603	561	56 FOOD	Chef at Home	Fresh-Anna	Thirsty	Thirsty	Bobby Flay	Chef Abroad	Diners	Diners	Ramsay
	300	601	301 M1	(5:15) Sold Out: A Threevening With Kevin Smith				*Zack and Miri Make a Porno* ★★ (2008)				*9 to 5: Porn*

SATURDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
7/4/09	265	353	2 TVO	National Geographic		*Shenandoah* ★★★ (1965, War) James Stewart.				(10:15) *Ride With the Devil* (1999)		
	211	331	3 GTV	*A Wrinkle in Time* ★★ (2003, Adventure)				The Unit		Doc		News
	215	343	4 OMN1	Na Luzie		Svitohliad	Dusha I Tilo	Russian Waves		Jani		MADtv
	210	302	6 CBC	The Nature of Things		The Week the Women Went		Da Vinci's City Hall (HDTV)		Calgary Stampede: Rangeland Derby		
	214	344	7 CITY	Without a Trace		Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV)		*Moving Malcolm* ★★ (2003, Comedy) (DVS)				News
	212	313	8 CTV	W-FIVE (DVS)		*Heaven's Fury* (2003, Action) Joanna Pacula. (DVS)				Law & Order: SVU		News
	218	345	11 E!	Out There	E News	Rich Poor	Rich Poor	Movie				News
	-	387	16 CBS	Paid Program	Paid Program	48 Hours Mystery		Harper's Island		Boston Pops-Spectacular		News
	-	385	17 NBC	Paid Program	Paid Program	Kings "Chapter One"		July Fireworks		Law & Order: SVU		News
	-	386	18 ABC	Paid Program	Paid Program	Wipeout (HDTV)		Castle (HDTV)		Eli Stone "Tailspin"		News (N)
	219	346	20 ACH-B	The Road to Avonlea		*Cable Beach* (2004, Mystery) Chris Kramer. (DVS)				Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News
	-	-	28 FOX	Fresh Prince	Paid Program	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Simpsons	Simpsons	MADtv
	-	388	61 PBS	All Creatures Great & Small		A Capitol Fourth (HDTV) (Live)			Casebook-Sherlock Holmes		Poirot	
news	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Camp. Brown
sports	405	417	22 net	Sportsnet Connected		Boxing Olivia Gerula vs. Jelena Mrdjenovich.				PartyPoker.net Irish		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	(6:30) NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Coke Zero 400. (HDTV) (Live)								SportsCentre
family	551	542	25 YTV	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Adrenaline	In Real Life "E.R."		Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45 TEL	*Daffy Duck's Quackbusters* ★★★ (1988, Fantasy)				Futurama	Chicken	Clone High	Rick & Steve	Moral Orel
	556	540	51 FAM	Suite Life	Zoey 101	Zack & Cody	Han. Montana	*Hero at Large* ★★ (1980, Comedy)			(10:38) *The Mighty*	
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: NY (HDTV)		The Sopranos		The Sopranos
	575	583	38 CMT	CMT's Greatest "1997"		Hollywood	CMT Star	Tuckerville	Tuckerville	Reba	Reba	Jann Arden
	616	521	39 SHO	(6) *Storm Cell*		*Every Second Counts* (2008, Drama)				*Borat* ★★★ (2006, Comedy)		
	294	529	47 TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	*Patriot Games* ★★★ (1992, Suspense) Harrison Ford.					*The Door in the Floor*	
	581	566	52 MTV	Canada's Next Top Model		Canada's Next Top Model		Canada's Next Top Model		Cribs	Cribs	Cribs
	603	561	56 FOOD	Grill It-Flay	Chef Abroad	Ramsay's Kitchen		Next Food Star		Kitchen Nightmares		Chef Jeff
	300	601	301 M1	(7:15) *Gooby* (2009, Comedy-Drama)				*Mamma Mia!* ★★ (2008, Musical Comedy)				*Bella*

SUNDAY

TO	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
7/5/09	265	353	2 TVO	Joanna Lumley-Northern		The Choir (Part 3 of 4)		Allan King	Allan King	Allan King	An Allan King Retrospective	
	211	331	3 GTV	King of Hill	Amer Dad	Simpsons	King of Hill	Family Guy	Simpsons	The Unit		News
	215	343	4 OMN1	Without a Trace		Jim	Look I Cook	Look I Cook	Noi Oggi	Metropia	Metropia	Corpo E Alma
	210	302	6 CBC	Heartland (DVS)		Just for Laughs-Yankees		*Blood Diamond* ★★★ (2006, Adventure)				*Blood Dia*
	214	344	7 CITY	Two Men	Hates Chris	Kings		Royal Pains		Crusoe (HDTV) (DVS)		News
	212	313	8 CTV	Rita MacNeil		Merlin "Lancelot" (N)		*The Bourne Supremacy* ★★★ (2004, Suspense)				News
	218	345	11 E!	Inside Hollywood		Extreme Makeover: Home		Movie				News
	-	387	16 CBS	60 Minutes		Million Dollar Password		Cold Case (HDTV)		Without a Trace		News
	-	385	17 NBC	Dateline NBC		Merlin "Lancelot" (N)		*The Bourne Supremacy* ★★★ (2004, Suspense)				News
	-	386	18 ABC	Just Laughs	Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives		Brothers & Sisters		News (N)
	219	346	20 ACH-B	Jeff Ltd.	Home Videos	Million Dollar Password		Cold Case (HDTV)		Canada's Next Top Model		News
	-	-	28 FOX	'Til Death	Amer Dad	Simpsons	King of Hill	Family Guy	Simpsons	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cold Case
	-	388	61 PBS	The Lawrence Welk Show		Nature (DVS)		Masterpiece Mystery! (N) (DVS)			P.O.V. (N)	
news	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		Campbell Brown		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Union
sports	405	417	22 net	World Sport	Baseball	MLB Baseball Tampa Bay Rays at Texas Rangers. (HDTV) (Live)						Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	Boxing	Boxing Andre Berto vs. Juan Urango. (HDTV)					SportsCentre (HDTV) (Live)		
family	551	542	25 YTV	(6) Movie					Prank Patrol	Adrenaline	Survive This	Mystery Hnt.
	554	544	45 TEL	Stoked (N)	Totally Spies	6TEEN	6TEEN	Futurama	Punch	Life's a Zoo	Life's a Zoo	Tripping-Rift
	556	540	51 FAM	Suite Life	Zoey 101	Zack & Cody	Han. Montana	*Blank Check* ★★ (1994, Comedy)			(10:32) *Curly Sue*	
cable variety	615	520	31 A&E	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Hammertime (HDTV)		Hammertime
	575	583	38 CMT	Cross Canada Countdown				Karaoke Star Junior		Movie		
	616	521	39 SHO	The Guard (HDTV)		*The Party Never Stops* (2007, Drama) Sara Paxton.				Rescue Me "Disease"		The Guard
	294	529	47 TBS	*American Beauty* ★★★★ (1999, Comedy-Drama) Kevin Spacey.					*American Beauty* ★★★★ (1999, Comedy-Drama)			
	581	566	52 MTV	Canada's Next Top Model		Canada's Next Top Model		Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	After
	603	561	56 FOOD	Challenge		100 Mile Challenge		Iron Chef America		Jamie's Fowl Dinners		Restaurant
	300	601	301 M1	(7:15) *Bee Movie* ★★ (2007, Comedy)				*Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*				*Illegal Tender*

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the hot ticket

by Enza Anderson

Enza brings Metro readers the weekly scoop on Toronto's hottest parties and events.

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Dala songstresses Sheila Carabine, left, and Amanda Walther.

Icon songstress Carole Pope.

Garden party guests David Hayter, left, and Brian Bagley.

Guests, from left, Laura Kwashka, Cassandra Chapman and Shyamala Millar.

ROCK STARS put their musical talents to work at the Big Night in Rosedale: Fully Clothed! garden party soirée. The early evening affair had guests indulging in summertime's favourite outdoor indulgences: barbeque and cocktails. It also helped raise money for the youth advocacy organization Serve!

LEFT: Server girl Shanna DiCesca.

Serve! program graduate Ken Bryan with Alison Cooper.

Canadian actor Sonja Smits.

Party guest, from left, Laura Bombier, Kara Reed and Maureen Chambers.

Party girls Jessica Partridge, left, and Catherine Rocher.

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Neil Patrick Harris to host Emmy's?
CBS, the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences and Neil Patrick Harris are working on a deal that would make the How I Met Your Mother star the host of this year's Primetime Emmy Awards, airing Sept. 20. TVGUIDE.COM

Going Out

Mix of Six

CHIN Picnic
When: Saturday and Sunday
Where: Exhibition Place
Folklore entertainment and food from Italy, Portugal, China, South Asia, Eastern Europe and South America showcases the diversity of Toronto's international communities. Visit chinradio.com/chinpicnic.

Summer Music in the Garden
When: Thursdays and most Sundays
Where: Toronto Music Garden, 275 Queen's Quay W.
From now until September 20, free outdoor concerts and dance performances will be presented in this unique setting. Visit harbourfrontcentre.com/torontomusicgarden.

Def Leppard
When: Saturday, 6:30p.m.
Where: Molson Amphitheatre, 909 Lake Shore Blvd. W.
Veteran rock act Def Leppard returns to Toronto. Visit defleppard.com.

Toronto Fringe Theatre Festival
When: Now until July 12
Where: Various locations in Toronto and the GTA
The yearly festival is a feast of small and large-scale theatre productions from artists of all levels of acclaim. Visit fringetoronto.com.

Summerlicious
When: Friday to July 19
Where: Various locations in Toronto and the GTA
Many of Toronto's top restaurants offer residents and tourists the opportunity to sample a wide variety of diverse and innovative cuisine through prix-fixe menus.

Fundraising
To participate in the Joe's Team Sprint Triathlon on Sat. July 11, visit joesteam.ca to register in advance. Funds raised by Joe's Team benefit the head and neck translational research program at the Princess Margaret Hospital.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Michael Jackson: The Final Years

BOOK Montreal-based Transit Publishing is ready to cash it in with this biography, the first one to be published since Jackson's death. On sale next week, the tell-all by Canadian writer Ian Halperin claims to have all kinds of inside information. Not excited yet? OK, Halperin predicted last December that Jacko would die within six months.

2 Kevin Skinner
PERSON As expected, American's Got Talent got its Susan Boyle moment this week with the unassuming chicken catcher from Kentucky. There were sniggers at Skinner's rustic appearance until he blew the judges with his rendition of Garth Brooks' If Tomorrow Never Comes. Needless to say, search engines and blogs were abuzz. Even the Hoff was visibly moved.

3 The Pirate Party
POLITICS Shiver me timbers, eh? The copyright-bashing spirit of the Swedish collective is headed for Canadian shores, thanks to a small group of homemade swashbucklers who are banding together following the party's rising popularity in parts of Europe. Their platform? People should have the right to share and copy music, movies and virtually any material, as long as it is for personal use, not for profit.

4 Johnny Depp
CELEBRITY The ultimate Hollywood chameleon floored the critics with his portrayal of celebrity outlaw John Dillinger in Michael Mann's latest crime epic Public Enemies. Now there's talk that top producers are desperate to sign the Pirates of the Caribbean star to play Michael Jackson.

5 Michael Jackson albums
MUSIC Nine of the departed pop megastar's albums made the Top 10 on Billboard Pop Charts this week, breaking all kinds of records. A similar feat was repeated on Amazon. Any doubts about the King of Pop's reign have been forever laid to rest.

6 Seth Rogen, Michael Cera
ACTORS This week, Canada's golden boys of comedy made the exclusive Hollywood club that votes on the Academy Awards.

7 Firefox 3.5
BROWSER This open-source browser has once again proved why it's so far ahead in the web game. The new version sports cool features and is incredibly fast.

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Actress dies at 86

Mollie Sugden, who starred on British sitcom — and PBS staple — Are You Being Served? has died at the age of 86 in Surrey, England, on Wednesday after a long running illness. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Zany rules at Fringe Festival

Finding diamonds in the rough remains a delicate art for Fringe-goers

It's getting harder to separate the wheat from the chaff at the Toronto Fringe Festival. Should you see the burlesque show or the bingo game? The one about killing Kevin Spacey or the one about violating our current prime minister? There is no shortage of zany and provocative options.

In its 21st season, with 150 productions involving more than 1,200 artists on stage and behind the scenes, the festival is literally bulging at the seams this year with new venues, featuring quirky musicals, one-actor shows, oddball comedies and serious drama from as far away as Kuwait.

Fringe regulars know the secret to finding the hottest shows: Shameless eavesdropping on other patrons as the festival progresses. And with tickets maxing out at a recession-friendly $10, picking the wrong show is mostly paid for in time wasted.

While it may seem like trying to pin the tail on the donkey, here are some suggestions for the 11 festival days ahead:

The Good Thief, by flaming locomotive from Perth, Australia. A dark tale of tragedy and murder. At the Glen Morris Theatre.

Circus, presented by Cabbage Under Heavy Fire from Vancouver. Exposing "the dark side of carnies." At the Factory Studio Theatre.

Killing Kevin Spacey, from Wolf Productions of Fort Lauderdale, Fla. A comedy that won Best of Fest last year in Edmonton and Winnipeg. At Royal St. George's Auditorium.

Cocktails, presented by the Dancing Cock Brothers from Montreal. Filthy sketch comedy for mature audiences. At the Tarragon Theatre Mainspace.

Charles Manson & Timothy Leary at Folsom Prison, presented by Ottawa's Attention Theatre. Based on a true story. At Tarragon Theatre Mainspace.

The Importance of Being Earnest, presented by Manchester Central Theatre Company, Manchester, England. The Wilde classic with a twist (of course): An all-female cast. At Factory Theatre Mainspace.

Red Bastard, presented by Red Bastard, New York, N.Y. A one-person interactive show and comic master class. At St. Vladimir's Theatre.

Because I Can, presented by Mad Frau Productions of Toronto. A farce featuring mistaken identities and used syringes. At the Robert Gill Theatre.

Hipcheck: The Musical, presented by Torrent Productions of Toronto. Travails of an all-women's hockey team named the Banshees. At the Robert Gill Theatre.

Love and Human Extinction, presented by Wide Out Loud Productions of Toronto. A tragicomedy about two men fighting for the love of the last woman on Earth. At Royal St. George's Auditorium.

I Am Not Neil Young: The Musical, presented by Don Lamoreux Productions. A Canadian work that has won acclaim at other fringes. At Holy Joe's

Wanderlust, presented by Martin Dockery, New York, N.Y. A one-actor show about a temp wandering the world in search of an epiphany. At Glen Morris Theatre.

Lockdown, presented by Leda Serene Films, Toronto. A drama about a group of young people held hostage in a high school, featuring an ensemble of young actors. At George Ignatieff Theatre.

TransCanada '69, presented by Attunement Productions of Victoria, B.C. Featuring the summer of '69 and the music of Joni Mitchell, Gordon Lightfoot, Leonard Cohen, Oscar Peterson and others. At Royal St. George's Auditorium.

The Accident, presented by Jonno Katz, Melbourne, Australia. Winner of best solo performance at the Ottawa Fringe, a one-man show about two very different brothers. At George Ignatieff Theatre.

The Sleuth Sisters, presented by Harmony Theatre, Minneapolis, Minn. A 1950s radio play mystery with live music and sound effects, for kids by kids. At Palmerston Library Theatre. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

If you go

- WHAT: Toronto Fringe Festival
- WHERE: Various venues
- WHEN: to July 12
- TICKETS: Up to $10 per play (multi-play passes available, too) at 416-966-1062 or fringetoronto.com

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NCIS: Los Angeles

Fans of NCIS director Leon Vance will find the coming TV season to be twice as nice, as Rocky Carroll will pull double duty on CBS' NCIS and its spin-off, NCIS: Los Angeles, tvguide.com has learned. METRO NEWS SERVICES

50 empty nights at O2 arena

Replacement rumours swirl for venue for Michael Jackson's final concerts

An all-star Michael Jackson tribute show? A Jackson family concert, minus Michael? An ABBA reunion?

The death of the King of Pop has left 50 empty nights at London's 23,000-seat O2 Arena — and a heady mixture of business hope, hype and wishful thinking is already filling the gap. One week after his demise, however, there is still no firm plan for how to fill one of London's biggest and most important music venues.

"At the moment we're just waiting for the funeral to be out of the way and we'll let people know in due course," Lucy Ellison, a spokeswoman for O2 operator AEG Europe, said Thursday. "We're thinking about Michael Jackson now. We're just a very small part in this very tragic story."

In the absence of firm facts, rumours are swirling about what will fill the dates Jackson was set to perform, starting this month, taking up most of the summer, and even stretching into 2010.

The Sun newspaper reported Thursday that AEG was talking to 1970s supergroup ABBA about reuniting to play the O2.

That seems likely to remain a pop fan's dream. AEG said the Sun's story was without foundation, and songwriters Bjorn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson have long said the Swedish foursome, who still sell millions of records a year a quarter century after they split up, will never perform together again.

But music fans from around the world were full of other suggestions about whom they'd like to see take Jackson's place onstage.

Maria Mertzani, 37, a bank teller from Athens, Greece, suggested Whitney Houston, "because they suffer the same pain and deal with the same demons: Drugs."

Chloe Ego, 22, a T-shirt sales assistant from Milan, Italy, wanted to see Elton John, because "he'd adapt Michael Jackson's songs to his kind of music."

"I'd say Marilyn Manson because he's really good on covers," said Novella Ciceri, 22, a leather goods trader, also from Milan.

The most tenacious report is of a star-studded tribute concert featuring Jackson's siblings and other music stars.

Randy Phillips, chief executive of promoter AEG Live, told Britain's Sky News on Tuesday that such a show was in the works, likely featuring members of Jackson's family and other stars and using dance routines, sets and costumes created for the singer's O2 shows.

No details have been announced, but industry experts say it would be logistically impossible for a tribute show to play more than a few nights at the venue.

"Fifty nights is absolutely out of the question," said music writer John Aizlewood. "Nobody in the Jackson family is capable of selling out the O2 for even one night, not even Janet."

"Bands who are capable of selling out the O2 have a huge turning circle — they have to be booked well in advance."

The O2 opened as a concert venue two years ago with a performance by Bon Jovi. In a previous incarnation, the big white tent beside the River Thames was the Millennium Dome, an unloved and unlamented tourist attraction. As a concert venue, it has been a roaring success.

Prince played 21 dates there in the summer of 2007, a stint that helped inspire Jackson's marathon run of shows. In December 2007, Led Zeppelin reunited for a one-off gig at the O2, the group's first concert in more than 25 years.

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"We're thinking about Michael Jackson now. We're just a very small part in this very tragic story."

Lucy Ellison, a spokeswoman for O2 operator AEG Europe

Famous faces

- Britney Spears, Bob Dylan and Bruce Springsteen have all played the O2 arena, and Madonna is due to open the final leg of her Sticky and Sweet tour at the O2 on Saturday.

GETTY IMAGES

Michael Jackson from his 1993 Super Bowl performance.

Shoes key to MJ's leaning dance trick

Michael Jackson was not only a great pop singer and dance artist — but he was also an inventor, patenting new technologies to support his signature moves.

One trick Jackson liked to carry out during his concerts was to defy gravity. During a number, he would lean so far forward that the audience was amazed at how he did not fall over. The secret behind the gravity-defying trick? A shoe he invented and patented.

On Google Patents, it is possible to see Jackson's invention in its entirety, with sketches of how the specially designed shoes work on stage. By attaching the shoe to the floor, Jackson could be sure he would remain standing even when he leaned forward to near-toppling degrees.

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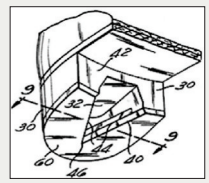

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Michael Jackson poll
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US drug agency joins Jackson probe

Brother Jermaine says would 'hurt' if drugs a factor

With the federal Drug Enforcement Administration now joining the investigation into Michael Jackson's death, Jermaine Jackson says he would be "hurt" if toxicology reports show that his younger brother abused prescription drugs.

"In this business, the pressures and things that you go through, you never know what one turns to," Jermaine Jackson said in an interview broadcast Thursday on NBC television.

Asked if he would be shocked or surprised if Michael's drug use was proven, Jermaine said, "I would be hurt." He said he had heard about prescription drug use in the 1980s when his brother was hurt in an accident filming a commercial but did not know if drug use was a possibility more recently.

"I don't know about these things, because I hate anything with drugs," he said, adding that it hurts the family for people to say things about drug use "because we don't know."

The circumstances surrounding Michael Jackson's death last week have become a federal issue, with the Drug Enforcement Administration asked to help police take a look at the pop star's doctors and possible drug use. Allegations have emerged that the 50-year-old entertainer had been consuming painkillers, sedatives and antidepressants.

Medium Uri Geller, a former Jackson confidant, said Thursday he tried to keep Jackson from abusing painkillers and other prescription drugs, but others in the singer's circle kept him supplied.

"When Michael asked for something, he got it. This was the great tragedy," Geller said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press from his suburban London home.

The Los Angeles Police Department asked the DEA to help in the probe, a law enforcement official in Washington told the AP on condition of anonymity because of the investigation's sensitivity.

Jermaine Jackson, in an interview at his brother's Neverland Ranch in Santa Barbara, California, that aired on NBC, said he would like the estate to be Michael's final resting place. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Custody

- Debbie Rowe, the mother of Michael Jackson's two eldest children, told NBC4 television that she would seek custody of their kids. METRO NEWS SERVICE

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Michael Jackson's brother Jermaine Jackson (pictured) says reports of the late pop star's drug use hurt his family.

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SETH SCRIVER AND SHAYNE EHMAN

Air Brushed Scenes from Asphalt Watches by Seth Scriver and Shayne Ehman, 2006.

From a car hood with an airbrushed hamburger stabbed by a drink sword, to cartoon women licking what could be an egg from their home economics project, the Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art celebrates the quirky with its latest exhibit, Pulp Fiction.

"(The artists) have a fascination or interest in bizarre or fictitious crazy kinds of worlds," curator Corinna Ghaznavi says about the 14 accomplished artists from across Canada participating in the show.

"It was going to be a drawing show, but I kind of wanted to shake it up, because they are making objects and animation and I wanted to bring different things in," which is how a large fabric elephant, an animated short film and a giant vagina have all found their way into the group show.

Despite the different mediums and aesthetics of the artists, Ghaznavi says their outlook on life and the general feel of the work is similar, which has led to regular collaborations amongst the artists.

"They kind of get together and have a few beers and make some drawings," which is easy for several of the artists who are currently based in Vancouver. For those spread out across the country, they use old-fashioned snail mail to exchange their work.

"With zines it's much easier to share and disseminate, so it just spread," she said about the web of affiliations the artists share.

One of the show's artists, Seth Scriver, who has a weekly cartoon in a Halifax newspaper, describes this combination of artists simply: "Well, they're my friends and we're all Canadian artists."

Although they've been hugely successful working collectively — most notably in Marc Bell's book, Nog a Dod: Prehistoric Canadian Psychedoolia, which has become an encyclopedia of who's who in Canadian drawing — they're all accomplished in their own right having pieces in magazines (Vice, Maclean's, Walrus) and galleries across North America and Europe (NYC, Berlin, London, Mexico City).

Pulp Fiction aims to draw attention to a self-sufficient, non-traditional style of collective art making, but within the context of the more traditional settings such as galleries and museums.

The juxtaposition of this contemporary — and possibly offensive — work in a traditional space garnered an uncomfortable reaction from some gallery goers when the show opened at the Museum London. But Ghaznavi said she isn't too concerned about the Toronto audience's comfort level.

"I think it will be fine at Mocca, people are a lot more open here … There's a lot of violence, but there's a lot of humour too."

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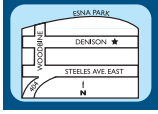

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INFORMATION FEATURE

A little taste of Heaven

Rhythm Heaven, which helps players improve their hand-eye co-ordination, is now available for the Nintendo DSi.

KATHY BUCKWORTH
for Metro Canada

"Together now!" is a phrase I normally deploy when taking my wayward children out for a walk, mall visit or as a desperate plea to have them all smile in the annual family photograph.

So I was pleasantly surprised when I heard my two youngest kids say these two words, thinking some of my terrific team bonding parenting skills were finally showing results.

Guess again. I should have been suspicious when they recited it in unison, on key, and to a beat. These guys are never that harmonious. Until now, because of a new game on our Nintendo DSi called Rhythm Heaven. It's basically all in the pen-tapping, as players work their way through a series of intriguing games that mostly require them to hit or flip the pen on the screen at precisely the right time. We've discovered it's more about listening to the soundtrack than watching the screen, and that's a cool way to integrate hand-eye co-ordination and listening skills. (If you aren't a parent or a teacher, you may not be aware that children are not masters at listening, per se.)

"The game consists of easy-to-learn starter levels that progress to 'remix' levels that require mastery of the previous mini-games," says Nintendo Canada's Matt Ryan. "It's a lot of fun and quite silly and will build the player's sense of rhythm and co-ordination."

Personally, I had never thought of Ping Pong as a rhythm-based game, but after playing it in Rhythm Heaven (excellent graphics and sound, unlike my experience with Pong, 20 years ago), the next time I play on a real table I'll be listening for the ball as well as watching for it.

Other games include jumping monkeys; alien planets ... even an ancient island talking head who gets bird droppings on his head as a penalty when you miss the beat. This is a terrific game for the whole family — perfect for the cottage on a rainy day when you're in the mood for giving your brain a good workout.

What's also giving me a brain workout right now is my teenage son getting his driver's licence. If it's speed that he needs, I'm hoping that letting him play Mario Kart DS will be a good way for me to distract him from getting out on the real road.

"Mario Kart DS is an easy to pick-up-and-play racing game that uses Mario franchise characters and over-the-top tracks, items and Karts (similar to go-karts) to race in circuits," says Ryan.

And honestly, at present my seven year-old son Nic is displaying a little more driving finesse than his older brother at this fun and sometimes challenging zippy game.

"To get first in the races, players need to strategically use the 'items,' jumps and short cuts to their advantage and beat the other racers," explains Ryan. This makes sense as Nic has consistently demonstrated these moves in order to be first in line at the school bus stop.

Driving cars and a driving beat — these two games make a great start to a family game collection. Together now, kids.

A sample of some of the games available on Rhythm Heaven.

Richie headlines Essence Festival

When the Essence Music Festival kicks off in New Orleans on Friday, singer Lionel Richie says the celebration of black music and culture will provide some comfort following Michael Jackson's death. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Poster girl for rare disease

Fawcett's death may remove stigma from a taboo topic: Experts

In a perverse twist of medical fate, Farrah Fawcett has become the poster girl for anal cancer, a rare disease often linked to a sexually transmitted virus.

Before her death last week, at age 62, the actress had come to terms with the illness and agreed to have her suffering and treatment chronicled for a television documentary.

"She knew that she had the kind of anal cancer that she wasn't going to ultimately overcome, and decided to leave as much of a legacy of awareness as she possibly could," her physician, Dr. Lawrence Piro, said Tuesday before her funeral.

It is an unexpected legacy for Fawcett, whose feathered hair and electric smile once dominated TV screens. A sexy photo of her in a red swimsuit, taken in the 1970's, was the top-selling pinup of all time. Despite her fame and work as an entertainer, friends say she was protective of her privacy.

But she was stricken by anal cancer, a rarely discussed affliction with symptoms that are sometimes mistaken for hemorrhoids. After tabloids began reporting on her illness, her family acknowledged it and a friend produced Farrah's Story, a documentary aired in May that showed Fawcett's treatment and suffering.

It was important new information for people unfamiliar with the disease or reluctant to even talk about it, some health officials said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Speidi the doomsayers
On Alex Jones' Infowars radio show on Monday, Spencer and Heidi Pratt said that 9/11 was an "inside job," that global warming theories are "mind-boggling" and lamented the "end of humanity." USMAGAZINE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Jonas Bro off the market

33% OF FANS ARE HEARTBROKEN Kevin Jonas surprised his girlfriend Danielle Deleasa by showing up at her doorstep in New Jersey early Wednesday morning and dropping down to his knee to ask her to marry him.

Presented with a cushion-cut diamond ring that Jonas designed with Jacob & Co., Deleasa couldn't believe what was happening, people.com is reports.

Then, "She said yes, yes, yes like 500 times super fast in a row," the oldest of the Jonas Brothers told People.

Jonas, 21, and Deleasa, 22, who met in May of 2007 while vacationing with their families in the Bahamas, haven't set a wedding date yet. "It still feels like a dream," she told People.

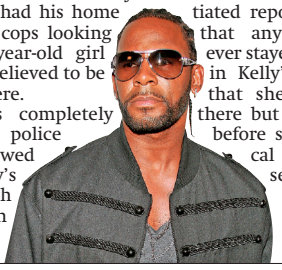
When Deleasa, a former hairdresser, first met Jonas two years ago, she admitted, "I didn't know who the Jonas Brothers were." It was Jonas who eagerly pursued her after meeting her and then spotting her walking on the beach with a flower in her hair.

Jonas popped the question after arriving in New Jersey on an overnight flight from a concert in Vancouver. "It was tough performing last night, knowing that I was going to ask the biggest question in my life to the most amazing girl in the world," he said. METRO NEWS SERVICES

New rumours denied

UH OH R. Kelly has been battling more rumours about troubles with underage girls after the National Enquirer published a story saying he had his home raided by cops looking for a 17-year-old girl who was believed to be staying there.

"This is completely false. No police ever showed up at Kelly's house with a search warrant nor was his house ever searched," Kelly's rep, Allan Mayer, said in a statement to E! News. "It is also not true, as the unsubstantiated report claimed, that any such girl ever stayed overnight in Kelly's house or that she had been there but left shortly before some mythical police search."



METRO NEWS SERVICES

Kate's career stalls on divorce?

FALLOUT First Kate Gosselin's book was delayed, then her reality show went on hiatus. Now her clothing line promotion deal with Healthtex is up in the air, usmagazine.com reports.

"Our project is on hold while she focuses on her family," Healthtex rep Scott Pryzwansky told radaronline.com.

Gosselin, 34, was hawking the line as recently as May on the Rachael Ray Show. She handed out a gift bag that contained what Ray described as "a Healthtex outfit (Kate) helped design and create."

The fall clothing line is still available at Wal-Mart, but Gosselin is not involved.

On Monday — one week after she and her husband Jon filed divorce papers — Christian publisher Zondervan announced her upcoming cookbook, Love Is in the Mix: Making Meals into Memories, wouldn't hit stores this November as originally planned.

The book promised an "inside look at one of America's most famous close-knit families."

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Moss getting hitched to Hince?

SETTLING DOWN Kate Moss is engaged to Jamie Hince, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 35-year-old supermodel — who has been dating The Kills rocker since summer 2007 — has sparked rumours the pair is planning to wed after she was spotted wearing an impressive diamond on her ring finger during a romantic trip to Paris.

A source said: "Kate and Jamie looked totally loved-up. Jamie took her to the trendy La Maison Du Caviar restaurant for a romantic lunch.

"People kept noticing the ring on her engagement finger but she didn't say anything."

This is not the first time it has been reported the British beauty and the 40-year-old musician are set to tie the knot.

Earlier this year, Hince revealed he was desperate to commit to Moss.

He said: "I want to marry Kate. She's all I want. She's all I need."

Shortly after they started dating, and just months after she ended her engagement to troubled Babyshambles singer Pete Doherty, it was reported Moss had popped the question to guitarist Hince at a friend's wedding.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

O'Neal drama at funeral

FRACTURED FAMILY Ryan O'Neal went to great lengths to make sure his son Redmond O'Neal could be allowed out of prison to attend Farrah Fawcett's funeral, but he reportedly put just as much effort into making sure his older son, Griffin O'Neal, was barred from entering the service, according to Inside Edition.

Ryan told the program he had Griffin banned "because he's a bad guy." Griffin, who drove 480 km to attend his stepmother's funeral, said, "I just wanted to say goodbye to someone that I knew and loved for 33 years."

His sister, Tatum O'Neal, was reportedly also asked to skip the funeral.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Hilary joins Gossip Girl

GUEST SPOT Hilary Duff is coming to start some drama on the Upper East Side, people.com reports. The singer and actress is joining the cast of Gossip Girl for several episodes, reports ew.com.

Duff will play Olivia Burke, a famous film star in search of the normal college experience. Her school of choice will be New York University, where Blair (Leighton Meester), Dan (Penn Badgley) and Vanessa (Jessica Szohr) were also accepted.

And in an excellent twist, Olivia will be rooming with Vanessa! Will they be friends? How will Blair react? And could she catch the eye of a certain Brooklynite?

Duff's first episode is set to air Oct. 5.

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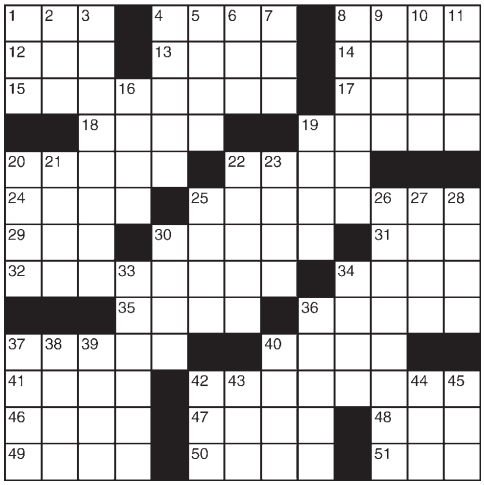

Crossword across

1 Peculiar
4 Furniture brand
8 Long ride?
12 Ortiz of "Ugly Betty"
13 Infamous lyre player
14 Finished
15 Truman's economic policy
17 Barn roof decoration
18 Witticism
19 Less
20 Hugh Laurie series
22 Apollo 11 goal
24 Dust Bowl migrant
25 One justifiably ridiculed
29 Bobby of hockey
30 Move laterally
31 San Francisco's — Hill
32 No cheating
34 Ticket receipt
35 Steering site
36 Runs off
37 Get more magazines
40 Gloomy
41 Dogfight participants
42 Fan of carnivals
46 Via, in verse
47 Right on the map?
48 Have bills
49 Lays down the lawn
50 Apiece
51 Encountered

Crossword down

1 Lummox
2 "CSI" evidence
3 Rum recipe
4 Privately made movie
5 Retain
6 Historic time
7 Comcast alternative
8 Affectionate
9 Terrible guy?
10 Carte
11 Galena and cinnabar
16 Stratagem
19 Oliver Twist's request
20 Component of stock footage?
21 Gumbo item
22 Sir's counterpart
23 Unctuous
25 Occupy
26 Waiting area
27 Small grimace
28 Undergoes recession
30 Jet forth
33 Monkey in a lab
34 Punch
36 Onward
37 "Phooey!"
38 Reverberate
39 Dweeb
40 Platter
42 Retainer
43 Motorists' org.
44 Ram's fan?
45 On pension (Abbr.)

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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	6						2	
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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7	6	5	8	4	3	9	2	1
5	7	3	1	2	8	4	6	9
8	9	6	7	3	4	1	5	2
1	4	2	6	9	5	8	7	3

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Stir-fried Beef with Vegetables

INGREDIENTS:

1 lb (500 g) round roast, thinly sliced
2 tbsp (25 ml) oyster sauce
3 tsp (15 ml) low sodium soy sauce
1/2 tsp (2 ml) sugar
2 tbsp (25 ml) corn starch
2 garlic cloves, chopped
2 tbsp (25 ml) vegetable oil
1 small onion, cut into wedges
1 small carrot, peeled and sliced
1 red pepper, deseeded and sliced
3 ½ oz (100 g) broccoli, cut into florets
5 fresh baby corn cobs, halved lengthways
1 bunch asparagus, trimmed and cut on diagonal into 2-in. (5-cm) lengths
1/2 cup (125 ml) water

METHOD:

1. Put beef in bowl with oyster and soy sauces, sugar, corn starch and garlic. Mix and allow to marinate 15 minutes.
2. Heat well-seasoned wok or large, non-stick frying pan over high heat. Add 1 tbsp (15 ml) oil, then add meat and stir-fry 3 minutes until cooked and browned. Remove and keep warm.
3. Clean wok out by wiping with paper towel. Heat over medium heat and add remaining oil. Add onion, carrot, pepper and broccoli and cook 1 minute, tossing frequently. Add corn, asparagus and water; return meat to wok and cook 1 minute, or until sauce has thickened. Vegetables should be slightly softened but still retain their crispness. Serve immediately.

SERVES 4

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Candice's Hottest Comic

Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
You may need to remind certain individuals today that although they are entitled to their opinions, the value depends on the facts.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Others are more likely to respond to words of encouragement than to complaints that they are not trying hard enough.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
It's important today that you keep control of your mind. Your imagination will wander all over the place if you let it.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Now that mind planet Mercury is beginning its transit of your sign you will see things with a bit more clarity. You've wasted too much time on trivialities.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
You will be a bit more subdued than usual today. Of course, as a Leo, your idea of subdued is probably loud and assertive by other people's standards.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You see no reason to be reticent about telling the world what turns you on — and off — and if it's a bit too candid for some, well, that's too bad.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Mercury's entry into the status area of your chart today urges you to make an impression on employers and other authority figures.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
Some of the thoughts that invade your head will be so way out that you dare not tell others what you are thinking.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
It may be tempting to tell others what they want to hear today but why should you perjure yourself just to make them feel good?

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Someone you have not been getting on with too well of late will put out feelers of reconciliation today.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
If you've been looking for ways to get others to take some of the workload off your shoulders you will find just the right words to persuade them today.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Mind planet Mercury joins the Sun in the most dynamic area of your chart today, so there can be no more excuses.

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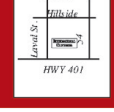

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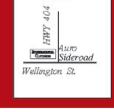

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